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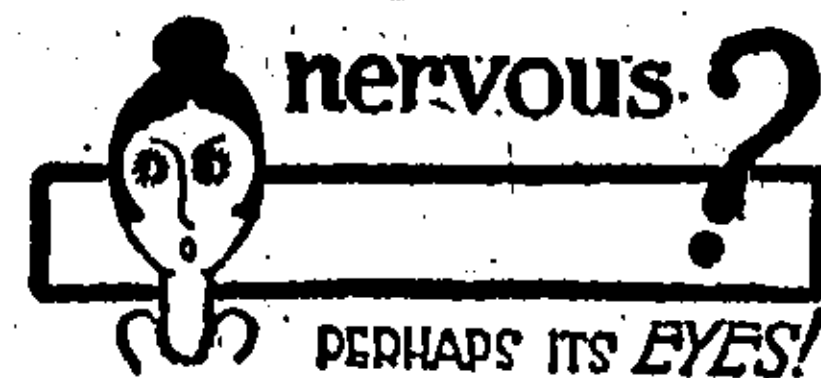
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PRESIDENT ON PROGRESS

THE GREAT MILITARY STRENGTH
OF U.S.

UNPAID WAR DEBTS

THE RESTRICTION OF IMMIGRATION

Washington, Yesterday.

President Hoover's annual mes-
sage to Congress, in 12,000 words,
emphasises that the nation con-
tinued to grow in strength last
year. Their problems were the
problems of growth and progress.

The President points out that
54 nations had adhered to the
Kellogg Pact and emphasises that
the United States accession to the
Court of International Justice
as now constituted, is not the
slightest step towards entry to
the League of Nations.

No question in which the United
States is interested can be
passed on by the Court without
American consent. The Govern-
ment hold high hopes for the suc-
cess of the London Naval Confer-
ence. They are anxious to with-
draw 1,600 American Marines
from Nicaragua, as the situation
warrants.

He proposes, subject to the ap-
proval of Congress, to send a com-
mission to Haiti to try to arrive
at a more definite policy. There
are 700 Marines at Haiti.

The Government hopes to re-
duce 2,605 of the American forces
in China to the normal Legation
Guard.

Mr. Hoover is very concerned
at the growth of the expenditure
of national defence, namely, over
\$730,000,000, the current fiscal
year exceeding the expenditures
of the most military nations of
the world.

The programme now authorised
will still further increase this ex-
penditure in the future. Failing
an international agreement the
United States will be committed
during six years to a naval con-
struction expenditure, of over
\$1,200,000,000. The personnel of
the United States' forces, includ-
ing reserves was \$728,000 in 1929,
compared with \$299,000 in 1914.
These forces should be proportioned
to national defence needs and
should, therefore, to some extent
be modified by the prospects of
peace, which were never brighter.

President Hoover's message
states that the indebtedness of
various countries to the United
States now totals \$11,579,000,000.
payments to the United States in
1930 were estimated at \$239,000,-
000.

American taxpayers were called
on to find annually about \$475,-
000,000 to pay the interest and
redeem the principal sums borrow-
ed by the United States for these
purposes.

Referring to the stock market
crash, Mr. Hoover said he was
convinced that the measures taken
by the Government had re-estab-
lished confidence, but they must
be vigorously pursued until nor-
mality was restored.

The regular air transportation
of the United States was now
90,000 miles daily, and the manu-
facturing capacity, 7,500 aero-
planes yearly.

He emphasised that the con-
servation of American oil and gas
resources were a national neces-
sity, and declared that the restric-
tion of immigration had proved a
sound national policy. The press-
ing problem was to formulate a
method whereby immigrants could
be adapted to national needs.

He concluded that steps should
be immediately taken to remedy
the defects in the enforcement of
the prohibition laws.—Reuter's
American Service.

DEBT PAYMENTS

Rugby, Yesterday.

Answering a Parliamentary
question as to when the arrears
of \$148,000,000 paid by Great Brit-
ain to the United States would be
cleared off, if all allied debts and
repairs were paid on the date
of the due date, the Chancellor of
the Exchequer, Mr. Philip
Snowden, replied, "The Hague
Agreement provides for the pay-
ment of approximately \$2,000,000
per annum for the next five years
on the basis of the 1914-15 level
of the debt."

SPEED CHAMPIONS' RECORDS

INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION
FOR SCHNEIDER VICTORS

NEW NON-STOP FLIGHT

Rugby, Yesterday.

The Royal Aero Club has been
informed by the Federation Aero-
nautique Internationale that the
following world's records have been
granted: For the greatest speed
over 100 kilometres, Flying Officer
Waghorn, on a Supermarine Rolls
Royce S. 6, on September 7, at 330.1
miles—531.2 kilometres per hour;
Flying Officer Atcherley, on a
Supermarine Rolls Royce S. 6, on
September 7, at 331.6 miles—533.8
kilometres per hour; the world's
greatest speed, Flight-Lieutenant
Stainforth on a Gloster-Napier Six
on September 10, at 336.3 miles—
541.1 kilometres per hour;
Squadron-Leader Orlebar, on a
Supermarine Rolls Royce S. 6, on
September 12, at 357.5 miles—575.7
kilometres an hour.

The Royal Air Force long distance
aeroplane, which in the spring flew
on a non-stop flight to India, and
has since its return undergone slight
alterations at Northolt Aerodrome,
to-day flew to Cranwell Aerodrome,
Lincolnshire, which has a specially
long take off, to await a favourable
opportunity for the start of another

FINE TO-DAY

To-day's weather report from
the Royal Observatory states:
The anti-cyclone is now cen-
tral over the lower Yangtze
Valley, pressure having de-
creased over S. Manchuria.
Fresh to strong monsoon will
continue along the China coast
and over the China Sea.
Forecast:—N. winds; fresh,
fine.

attempt on a long distance flight
record.

Squadron-Leader Jones Williams
and Flight-Lieutenant Jenkins, who
took the machine on its Indian
flight, will attempt to fly over
Africa, non-stop, to Capetown, a
distance of about 6,000 miles. The
start will be made in about a fort-
night.—British Wireless Service.

Private Flying

Rugby, Yesterday.

Sir Sefton Branker, Director of
Civil Aviation, at Shrewsbury yester-
day, said that private flying was
increasing every day in Britain,
and this year his Department was
issuing pilots' licences and cer-
tificates for aircraft at double the
1928 rate. He anticipated they
would double the rate again in 1930.
Every day they were moving to-
wards making air transport pay its
way, and as this materialised it
was obvious that the demand for
commercial air-craft would increase
to very big proportions.—British
Wireless Service.

ARMED ROBBERS DISTURBED

An attempted armed robbery was
committed on the first floor of 507
Nathan Road, Kowloon, this morning
at seven o'clock.

It appears that three Chinese men
armed with two hammers and an iron
file, approached the front door of the
flat, and gained entrance owing to the
sman opening the door for them when
they knocked.

However, their plans were frustrated
by an alarm being raised by the oc-
cupants of the house, as a result of
which Lo Kin-chi (20), a student of
the Diocesan Boys' School, was hurt,
he being in the near cubicle when the
robbers attacked, and cut his forehead
in two places.

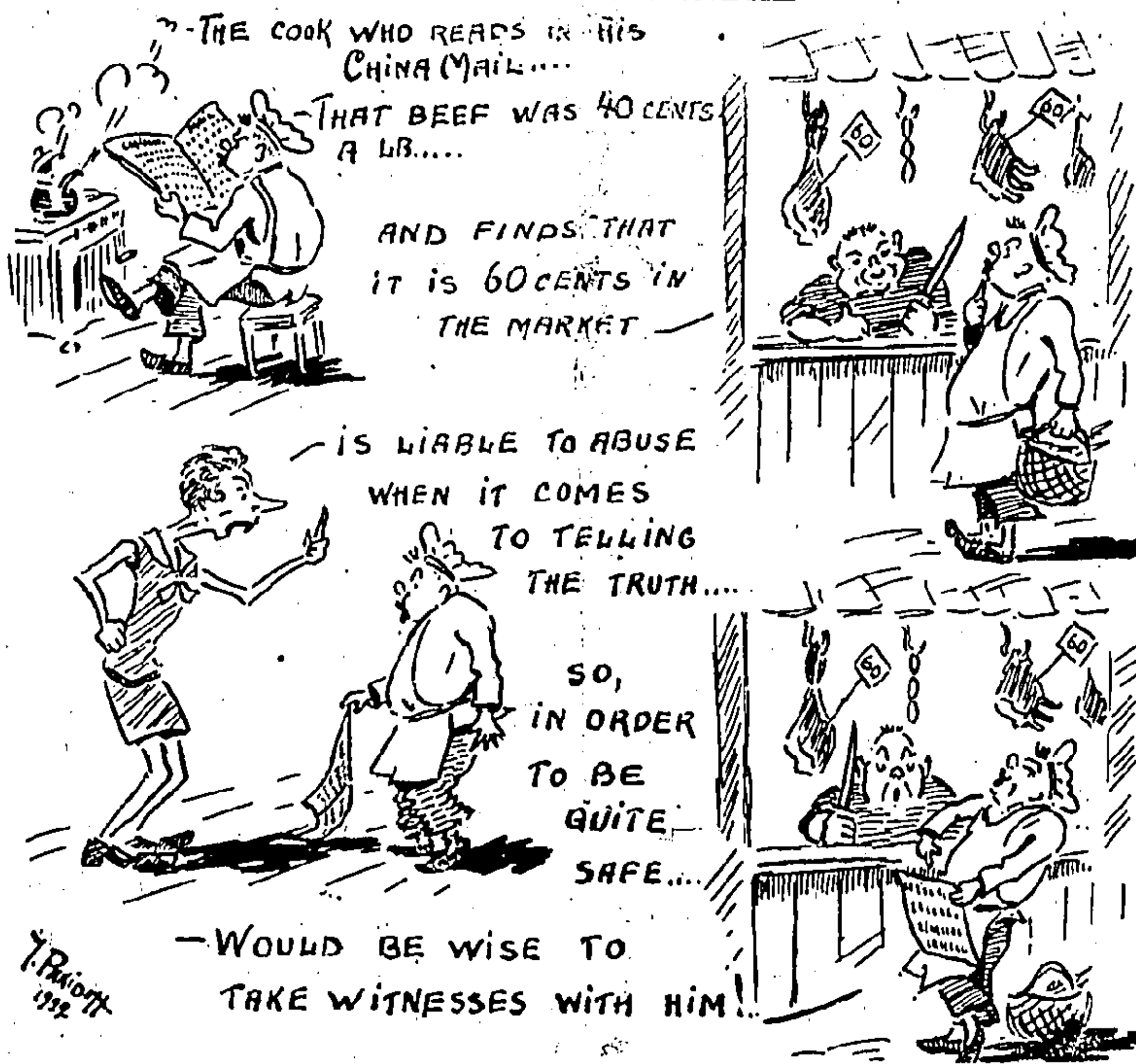
He was removed to hospital.
Outdone in their attempt to rob on
a big scale, the intruders soon left
the flat and ran away, making good
their escape.
The police are investigating the
affair.

A fine of \$10 was imposed on the
occupier of 115, Leichok Road at the
Kowloon Magistracy to-day on
admitting that he had tended his
water services without a permit
from the Water Authority, P.W.D.

ments in the past. But that de-
fect will at no time be fully
covered, and would not have been
covered if the Dawes plan had
continued in operation.—British
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sage to Congress, in 12,000 words,
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A DOMESTIC SCANDAL



POLICE SERGEANT CHARGED

ALLEGED ASSAULT ON A
WOMAN
IN A SERIOUS CONDITION

A Shantung Police Sergeant
named Pi Shih-hau was formally
charged before Mr. A. W. G. H.
Grantham, at the Central Magis-
tracy to-day, with assaulting and
injuring a woman named Lo Chak
(50) in Eastern Street.

As the woman is in the Govern-
ment Civil Hospital, the Magistrate
gave an adjournment for 48 hours
to see how she progressed as yester-
day she was reported to be in a
critical condition and at one
time it was thought necessary to
take her dying deposition. To-
day, although she is slightly bet-
ter, she is not yet out of danger.

The allegations against the Ser-
geant are that, whilst in the ex-
ecution of his duty, he kicked the
woman in the stomach, and in-
jured her so severely that she had
to be rushed away to the hos-
pital, where her condition, ag-
gravated by an internal disease,
caused grave anxiety.

On the other side it is alleged
that when the Sergeant went to
interview the woman's son regard-
ing some alleged trouble, the wo-
man obstructed the Sergeant in
the execution of his duty.

MARKET OBSTRUCTION

Four fish stall holders at the Sham-
shui Market were at the Kowloon
Magistracy to-day fined \$10 each,
for extending the limits of their stalls,
thus causing an obstruction to the
public footpath.

Sanitary Inspector A. C. Sinton stated
that the defendants blocked the
whole entrance way to the other stalls
and thus had an advantage in the busi-
ness.

STOP PRESS

Shanghai To-day.

Travellers arriving from Pukow
state that the mutiny was more serious
than reported yesterday. It was well-
planned and almost an entire army
corps is stated to be involved. They
disarmed the loyal garrison almost
without resistance, looted every shop
in Pukow, seized all the rolling stock,
and left northward heading for Pen-
gu, looting other stations en route.
Government forces crossed the
Yangtze, but were unable to follow
owing to the lack of transport.

The mutineers had been ordered to
Canton for the campaign against the
Ironsides.

Little damage was done to foreign
property, but an American Mr.
Kranke, of the Paramount News-
Company, had a narrow escape. The
mutineers took his camera and all his
equipment (about \$1,000) and he was
forced to flee. Nothing is known of
his whereabouts.

CHINA WAR ENDED

BOTH PARTIES SIGN
A PROTOCOL

C.E.R. REFORMS
RUSSIA RESENTS U.S.
INTERVENTION

Moscow, Yesterday.
The Russian and Chinese dis-
pute over the Chinese Eastern
Railway has been settled by a
protocol signed in Nikolaevsk by
Tsai Yun-shen, the Harbin
diplomatic commissioner, and
Simanovsky, the Russian diploma-
tic agent, reorganising the ad-
ministration of the railway in
strict conformity with the Peking
and Mukden agreements of 1924.
Tsai Yun-shen has promised to
dismiss Mr. Liu, Chairman of the
Railway Board, and M. Simanovsky
in return has agreed to recom-

mend other candidates for the
managership and Assistant man-
agership than Emsharov and
Eismont, both of whom, however,
may be given other positions on
the railway.

1929 rainfall 69.40 inches

Average 82.08 inches

Deficit 12.68 inches

mend other candidates for the

A SETBACK?
Tokyo, Yesterday.
The Rengo Agency has received
a message from Harbin stating
that Tsai Yu-sheng, receiving a
telegram recalling him from
Chang Hsueh-liang, left Nicolok
for Harbin without reaching
Habarovsk, where the parleys were
scheduled to be held.

It is strongly believed here that
another setback has been reached
to the Chinese-Soviet negotiations.

AN UNFRIENDLY ACT

Moscow, Yesterday.

Resentment of the United
States' intervention in the Russo-
Chinese dispute is expressed in
the Russian reply to the French
note, stating that the United
States move, when direct negotia-
tions have been started, cannot be
regarded as a friendly act, and
expressing amazement that the
United States, "which by its own
desire, maintains no official rela-
tions with Russia, should deem it
possible to offer advice."

ITALY'S ACTION

Rome, Yesterday.
Following a conversation with
the American Ambassador, the
Foreign Minister, Signor Grandi,
stated that he would request the
Italian Ministers in Moscow and
Peking to hand to the Soviet and
Chinese Governments a note draw-
ing attention to the Italian posi-
tion.

EUROPEAN MASTER CHARGED

CAPT. OF "YAT SHING" FACES
SERIOUS ALLEGATIONS
DESERTING A SEAMAN

Four serious charges were pre-
ferred against Charles Alexander,
Master of the s.s. "Yat Shing," a
vessel belonging to Indo-China line,
this morning at the Marine Magis-
trate, before Commander G. F. Hole,
R.N. (retired).

The charges read that accused,
whilst being a master on
board the s.s. "Kwai Sang,"
on July 24, left behind in the
Colon Harold Vitol King,
a seaman, before his engagement
was terminated; that he discharged
the same seaman without the sanc-
tion of the Harbour Master, and
without making due provision for
his subsistence and maintenance;
that he discharged the same seaman
in a place other than the Mercantile
Marine Office; and also, that he
shipped on board another seaman,
Albert Dunn, in a place other than
the Mercantile Marine Office.

Mr. W. D. Owen appeared for the
defendant, and applied for an ad-
journment on the ground that the
"Yat Shing" was leaving for
Canton.

On being told that the vessel
would be in port on Saturday, his
Worship fixed the date of hearing
for December 7 at 10 a.m.

HOTEL LICENSEE SUMMONED

The Chinese licensee of the Peking
Hotel, 369, Nathan Road, at the jun-
ction of Pakhoi Street, Yumati, was
summoned before Mr. W. Schofield
at the Kowloon Magistracy to-day
for keeping the premises for an immoral
purpose.

Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, Assistant
Crown Solicitor, appeared for the
prosecution, while Mr. J. T. Prior de-
fended.

After Sub-Inspector W. de P.
Chevalier and several others had given
evidence the case was adjourned.

THE "KAU SING" MISHAP

The "China Mail" learned
from a reliable source this
morning that a depart-
mental enquiry was held
yesterday evening at the
Harbour Office, by Mr. T. W. H.
Hoseng, Deputy Harbour
Master, into the circumstances
surrounding the accident which
befell the Government rescue
tug, "Kau Sing," on November
27, off Chaiwan Bay. An
exclusive report appeared in
the "China Mail" on November
28.

It was found that the vessel
had been taken too near to
the reef.

The "China Mail" also learned
that the repairs to be done
to the "Kau Sing" will cost
about \$10,000. She is still in
Tatler's Dock.

"CANTON — OR BURST"

IRONSIDES IN DESPERATE
MOOD

WONDERFUL SHOCK TROOPS

Little progress has been
made in the last 24 hours by
the opponents of the Canton
Government. In the North
River sector the preliminary
engagement has been fol-
lowed by a temporary lull, but
the inhabitants of some town-
ships are flocking into Canton
as refugees as it is feared that
the Ironsides will make an-
other bid.

In the West River sector, the
Kwangsi-ites have not reached the
confluence with the North River,
but it is surprising to learn that
the Canton defenders have given
up the Gorges below Shuihung
without a fight. A naval force
there, supported by machine-guns
on the heights on either bank of
the West River, would have con-
siderably hampered the advance of
the Kwangsi-ites.

Kwangsi Troops Deploying

In any event, the Kwangsi-ites
are deploying again. Realising
that they have not the river craft
with which to cross the West
River to Samshui (which is 30
miles by rail from Canton), they

have wheeled north-eastward in
order to effect a junction with the
Ironsides on the North River, at
a point sufficiently high up to be
safe from Canton's gunboats and
where wading will be possible.

Meanwhile more reinforcements
are reaching Canton. General Ho
Ying-ching, who ranks as "No. 2"
to Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, has
become Commander-in-Chief.
Fresh troops have gone out to the
front lines and further disposi-
tions have been made to hold up
the Ironsides and Kwangsi-ites.

Norwegian Transport

Last evening the Norwegian
merchantman "Mendosa" was ob-
served in the Canton River, at
Whampoa, with many Northern
Chinese troops on board. She
was chartered in North China for
use as a transport. In this con-
nection it is interesting to recall
that when the Northern reinforce-
ment last left Canton—because
they were needed for service
against the "Christian General" in
the North—ships of a British com-
pany were sought but the owners
refused, as did the British Con-
sular authorities.

Later last night, a Chinese war-
ship (believed to be one of the
naval additions to Canton's re-
sources) was seen off Taichuan,
making for up-river.

Ironsides Methods

An insight has been obtained
into the methods adopted by the
famous Ironsides in their cam-
paign. They admit that they are
desperate and that there will be
no compromise or surrender.
Their motto—a paraphrase of a
former piece of Nationalist
phrasology—is "Canton, or
Burst!" After protracted service
in other parts of China, the South-
ern Cantonese who formed the
backbone and the elite of the
corps have dwindled down to a
small sprinkling of officers and
"non-coms." There is now an
element of North China and Cen-
tral China men among the Iron-
sides, who favour sword play.

Mammoth Swords

Accordingly, there are attached
to each division three battalions
of shock troops. These latter
comprise machine-gunners of sev-
eral kinds, and also infantrymen
who, in either hand, carry a hand
grenade and big sword over two
feet in length. A Whampoa Cadet
officer who came down to Hong
Kong last night spoke vividly of
the alleged ferocity of these
"big swordsmen," who charge
across the main land in the way
of machine-guns and in a mo-
ment "grind" their hands to-
gether.

SHIP'S MASTER & CHINESE MAILS

ALLEGATION THAT HE REFUSED
TO CARRY THEM

THE DEFENCE

LETTER TO POSTMASTER
NEVER ANSWERED

Captain Edwin Page Smith,
master of the s.s. "Sanning" was
summoned before Mr. A. W. G. H.
Grantham, at the Central Magis-
tracy to-day, charged with re-
fusing to accept 18 bags of mail on
board the s.s. "Sanning" for con-
veyance, on November 23, when
about to depart the Colony to Sam-
shui and Wuchow.

Defendant pleaded "not guilty."
Mr. N. L. Smith, who prosecuted
for the Post Office, said that on
November 23 an officer of the Post
Office took 21 bags of mails on board
the "Sanning," of which 18 were
Chinese bags and the other three
local ones. Capt. Smith said that
he would take the three Hong Kong
bags but refused to accept the
Chinese ones, saying that he was not
being paid to carry them.

A CONTRACT

Section 18 of Ordinance 7 of
1926, under which the summons
was brought against Capt. Smith,
made no mention about payment for
the carriage of mails, but section 20
did mention "gratuity payable,"
which made it a contract.

Here Captain Smith interrupted
to say that he understood that the
summons included the Hong Kong
mails as well. If they referred to
the Chinese mails only he would
admit that he did refuse them.

He said that he had sent a letter,
on November 23, to the Postmaster
General, to which up to the present
he had received no answer. As he
had been brought up to the Court
for an act alleged to amount to
misdemeanour he thought it en-
cumbent on him to give a full
understanding of his attitude.

He had been careful first to
interview the Superintendent of
Mails and, on the latter's advice, had
written to the Postmaster General
explaining his position, but had re-
ceived no reply.

GRATUITIES PAID

Mr. Smith, interesting, said that
what happened was this: Hong
Kong was half way between certain
parts of China, it being the case
that mail bags from Shanghai to
Wuchow were sent here for trans-
shipment. The Post Office here
charged them a small storage fee.

In cases where these Chinese
mails were sent by a non-contract
vessel, that was to say one that
is not paid by the Chinese Post Office,
the Post Office here had to pay the
usual gratuity.

In cases where such mails were
carried by contract ships of which
there were some 60, given in the
list supplied by the Chinese Post
Office, and of which the "Sanning"
was one, no gratuity was paid.

STANDING AGREEMENT

If any dispute occurred in the
case of these contract ships, the
matter was purely between the
Chinese Post Office and the master
or owners of the ship concerned.
The Post Office here would, of
course, know nothing about this
matter of payments, except that
they had a standing agreement with
the Chinese Post Office to tranship
the letter mails as and whenever
required.

From time to time the Chinese
Post Office would send down a list
of such contract ships, and guided
by such lists the Post Office here
would not be paying anything to the
masters.

Capt. Smith then obtained the
Magistrate's permission to read a
copy of the letter which he had sent
to the Postmaster General. He ex-
(Continued on Page 5.)

with "weapons which cleave a
bayonet in twain."

It is more than suspected that
a number of politicians and ear-
ly Generals belonging to the
Leftist faction (supporters and
patrons of the Ironsides) and to
the Kwangsi faction have come to
Hong Kong; either to hold them-
selves in readiness for the trans-
portal entry into the "promised
land," or to seek sanctuary until
the time is more opportune.

Although Hong Kong specu-
lators in Canton bank notes are not
too confident, Canton is still con-
sidered as the issue and there
has been no exodus to speak of
either in people or possessions.

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R.M.O.C.A., The ANNUAL DINNER of the Royal Marines Old Comrades' Association will be held on Saturday, 11th. January 1930, those wishing to attend please communicate with Hon. Sec. C. E. Frith, Sanitary Department.

ROYAL SANITARY INSTITUTE.

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EXAMINATIONS for Inspectors of Meat and Other Foods, Sanitary Inspectors and Sanitary Science will be held on January 21st, 23rd and 24th, 1930.

Candidates should obtain Application Forms from the Local Secretary, care of Educational Department on or before December 21st, 1929.

Hong Kong, 3rd December, 1929.

NOTICE.

A BRIDGE and MAH-JONG DRIVE in aid of the Hong Kong Benevolent Society will be held at the Helena May Institute on MONDAY, December 16, 1929, from 3.30-6 p.m. A charge of \$2 will be made. Ladies who are willing to be responsible for a table are asked to communicate with Mrs. H. G. Sheldon, 25, Peak Mansions, before December 6.

Tea will be provided free of charge. Come one—Come all.

CIRCULAR

A Comissao Directora de Club Lusitano tem a honra de convidar os Exmos. Srs. Socio e suas Exmas. Famílias e os demais Membros da Comunidade Portuguesa e residentes da Colonia de Macau que se acham em Hong Kong, para se reunirem na sala "Luiz de Camoes" de Club Lusitano na Quinta-feira 5 de corrente as 17½ horas, a fim de assistirem a Recepcao em honra de sua Excia. O Governador de Macau, Senhor Arthur Tamagnini de Sousa Barbosa, e sua Exma. Esposa.

Haverá em seguida Cha e Danca.

A fim de que esta festa seja revestida de maior brilho possível, a Direcção pede a comparsa de todos os Srs. Socio e suas Exmas. Famílias e os demais Membros da Comunidade Portuguesa e residentes da Colonia de Macau.

M. A. SIMOES,
Secretario.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE TENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on SATURDAY, 7th December, 1929, commencing at 2 p.m.

The first bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1 for all persons including Ladies.

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The following is the record of rainfall during November at the Botanical Gardens:

Date	Inch
November 1	0.09
" 2	0.09
" 3	0.09
" 4	0.09
" 5	0.09
" 6	0.09
" 7	0.09
" 8	0.09
" 9	0.09
" 10	0.09
" 11	0.09
" 12	0.09
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" 18	0.09
" 19	0.09
" 20	0.09
" 21	0.09
" 22	0.09
" 23	0.09
" 24	0.09
" 25	0.09
" 26	0.09
" 27	0.09
" 28	0.09
" 29	0.09
" 30	0.09
Total	2.73

KOWLOON RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION**SUGGESTIONS FOR MIDDLE ROAD PLAYGROUND****SWINGS AFTER DARK**

Many matters of topical interest were discussed at the November monthly meeting of the General Committee of the Kowloon Residents' Association, which was held under the chairmanship of Mr. C.M. Manners, O.B.E., President of the K.R.A. Members of the Committee present were:—Mr. F. C. Mow Fung (Vice President), Mr. E. Abraham (Hon. Treasurer), Mr. C. E. Terry (Hon. Secretary) and Messrs. E. Cock, M.B.E., F. W. Stapleton, R. Pestonji, H. Un, J. M. Alves, J. H. Hunt, O.B.E., Li Jow-sun, C. B. Riggs and E. C. Tregillus.

Correspondence drawing the attention of the G.O.C. to the danger attendant on military horses grazing in residential areas, particularly in the vicinity of the Children's Playgrounds, was laid on the table. In his reply, the G.O.C. regretted that the actual unit at fault could not be traced, but stated that instructions had been issued that grazing and exercise of these animals should be carried out in non-residential areas as far as possible.

Swings at Night
In reply to a letter from the Association pointing out the nuisance created by the unauthorised use of the swings, etc. in Chatham Road Playground after dark, owing to the gear not being locked up, the Director of Public Works stated that this was occasioned by the locks being stolen at various times. He further stated that the matter was receiving the attention of the Police.

Middle Road Playground
The proposals of the P.W.D. with regard to the Middle Road Playground having been fully discussed at a previous meeting, a letter from the Association to the D.P.W. embodying the Committee's suggestions was read and approved. The suggestions included:

(1) A 4-foot wall along the Salisbury Road frontage, in lieu of the proposed post and rail fence; the latter was not considered adequate, as it is necessary to prevent the children climbing over or scrambling through the fence into the heavy traffic of this road.

(2) The Lavatory and Shelter to be separate.

(3) A Chinese Tile roof to the Shelter in place of the proposed Wood and Malthoid.

(4) Two gates only, one at North West corner and one on Salisbury Road, opposite the bus stopping place, the latter to have a bar erected to prevent children running straight across the pavement into the road.

(5) Increased seating accommodation in the shelter and grounds.

Public Concerts
Correspondence with the Colonial Secretary, wherein it was stated that Government would provide an initial subsidy of \$200 per concert in Kowloon, the organisation of which would be left in the hands of the Association, having been discussed, together with the Association's letter expressing their willingness to undertake the organisation of these concerts, the subcommittee appointed to go into the matter reported that preliminary arrangements had been made, but as funds would not be available until 1st January, 1930, and as it was not desirable to hold such concerts during the cold weather, final arrangements would be left to the Committee for 1930.

Other business having been dealt with, the meeting closed. Any members whose subscriptions for 1929 are unpaid are requested to forward them to the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. E. Abraham, c/o Messrs. Tester and Abraham, as soon as possible, as the financial year closes on December 31.

A PEAK AFFAIR**Chauffeur Objected To A Cap**

Mohan Singh, an Indian chauffeur, sued Mr. E. G. Artega, of Alexandra Building, yesterday at the Summary Court, before Mr. Justice J. R. Wood, for the recovery of the sum of \$30, being wages due.

Mr. F. X. d'Almada, sen., defended and obtained judgment for his client.

Defendant admitted that he had refused to wear his peak cap which was part of his uniform, and that he had been told to look for another job.

DANCING DISPLAY DONATIONS

Miss Daisy O'Keefe, informant, has that the gross receipts of her Dancing Display given at the Theatre Royal on November 13 and 14 amounted to \$1,000. She has deposited all the receipts with the Police, and has offered to donate the sum of \$1,000 to the Police for the purpose of purchasing uniforms for the Police Band.

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COLONY'S WATER SUPPLY**STORAGE DECREASING IN ISLAND****CONSUMPTION LOWER**

The "China Mail" is officially informed that the total storage in the island reservoirs on Monday morning, amounted to 1,514.80 million gallons, showing a decrease of 46.40 million gallons during the past week. The amount collected from streams was 0.50 million gallons.

The week's consumption amounted to 46.90 million gallons.

In Kowloon
The total storage in the mainland reservoirs on Monday morning amounted to 496.54 million gallons, showing a decrease of 9.85 million gallons during the past week.

The week's consumption amounted to 26.54 million gallons, not including 1.88 million gallons supplied to Water Boats at Lai Chi Kok.

The yield from the Shing Mun River and streams during the week was 19.07 million gallons.

Storage
The following shows the amount in storage (million gallons) on the dates named:

	Hong Kong	Mainland
April 22	326.88	186.81
" 29	327.23	174.44
May 6	311.72	121.65
" 13	302.31	125.34
" 20	283.97	115.90
" 27	261.03	102.18
June 3	237.00	87.96
" 10	212.71	85.61
" 17	192.75	80.51
" 24	177.22	100.28
July 1	175.54	114.27
" 8	167.79	105.52
" 15	159.07	101.31
" 22	140.22	277.00
" 29	99.80	307.04
Aug. 5	125.85	438.58
" 12	135.54	442.86
" 19	161.56	452.85
" 26	179.09	451.41
Sept. 2	187.15	457.98
" 9	194.02	455.71
" 16	190.81	459.35
" 23	181.01	501.32
" 30	184.24	513.90
Oct. 7	180.13	514.98
" 14	159.54	515.08
" 21	174.29	514.87
" 28	174.59	514.61
Nov. 4	189.58	514.64
" 11	185.50	515.46
" 18	180.73	514.78
" 25	181.20	505.89
Dec. 2	184.30	499.54

The following figures show the weekly consumption (million gallons) on the dates mentioned:—

	Hong Kong	Mainland
April 22	37.56	30.78
" 29	37.59	29.88
May 6	35.03	27.17
" 13	30.57	25.07
" 20	31.92	25.06
" 27	33.86	25.36
June 3	27.48	24.86
" 10	27.27	19.59
" 17	30.18	14.04
" 24	27.14	11.08
July 1	27.21	20.71
" 8	27.25	19.91
" 15	24.77	17.87
" 22	25.32	23.28
" 29	31.53	22.31
Aug. 5	31.95	25.17
" 12	38.27	26.23
" 19	39.88	25.86
" 26	51.47	26.91
Sept. 2	50.89	27.62
" 9	51.47	27.29
" 16	57.25	28.23
" 23	58.41	28.67
" 30	57.20	29.09
Oct. 7	54.90	29.70
" 14	55.18	26.97
" 21	54.98	28.62
" 28	54.29	27.19
Nov. 4	54.22	26.81
" 11	51.55	25.87
" 18	48.87	26.46
" 25	45.65	28.79
Dec. 2	45.90	26.54

NAVAL DANCE**Given By Personnel Of H.M.S. "Hermes"**

A dance given by the personnel of H.M.S. "Hermes" was held at the Hotel Savoy last night, commencing at 8 p.m., and continuing until just before midnight. Fine dance music was played by the well-known "Semreh" Orchestra, refreshments were served during an interval at 10 p.m., and the large attendance, representing all the three sister services, together with many ladies, spent a very enjoyable evening.

Naval Officers present included the Captain of the "Hermes," Captain J. D. Campbell, M.V.O., O.B.E.; Pay-Commander, A. H. Payne, M.C.; and the Hon. F. Freeman, M.A.

The committee who worked so hard to make the dance the success it was, comprised the Commandant, Mr. C. P. O. Blyth, M.A., and Mr. W. W. Jones, and Mr. W. W. Jones.

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HIKOKU MARU	Saturday, 14th December.
SUWA MARU	Saturday, 28th December.
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TANGO MARU	Wednesday, 25th December.
AKI MARU	Wednesday, 22nd January.
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang, & Colombo.	
SADO MARU	Wednesday, 11th December.
SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico & Panama.	
ANYO MARU	Sunday, 22nd December.
SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Port.	
WAKASA MARU	Friday, 6th December.
NEW YORK, BOSTON via Panama.	
TAKAKA MARU	Thursday, 10th December.
LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Constantinople, Genoa.	
DAKAR MARU	Tuesday, 10th December.
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	
PENANG MARU	Monday, 9th December.
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MANILA MARU	Tuesday, 24th December.
BOMBAY—Via Singapore & Colombo.	
GANGES MARU	Thursday, 5th December.
SUMATRA MARU	Thursday, 19th December.
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DURBAN, LAURENCE MARQUES, REIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR & MOMBASA—Via Singapore & Colombo.	
MEXICO MARU	Thursday, 2nd January.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	
CELEBES MARU	Wednesday, 18th December.
(Calls at Belawan Del).	
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Japan Ports from	
MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.	
SYDNEY MARU	Friday, 13th December.
HAI PHONG—Via Hanoi & Peking.	
MENADO MARU	Thursday, 12th Dec. 10 a.m.
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.	
HAGUE MARU	Thursday, 5th December.
JAPAN PORTS	
NITO MARU (via Keelung)	Thursday, 5th December.
BORNEO MARU	Sunday, 8th December.
ATLAS MARU	Friday, 13th December.
KEELUNG—Via Swatow & Amoy.	
CANTON MARU	Sunday, 8th December, Noon.
HOZAY MARU	Sunday, 15th Dec. Noon.
TAKAO—Via Swatow & Amoy.	
DELI MARU	Thursday, 5th Dec. 10 a.m.
TAKAO & KEELUNG.	
BATAVIA MARU (Calls at Amoy).	Wednesday, 11th December.

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A VERY USEFUL SHIP

A short time ago the former Hamburg American liner "Corcovado" was bought by the Portuguese company Colonial de Navegacao, of Lisbon, and now the same concern has bought her sister ship "Assyria," better known as the Anchor liner "Assyria." She was built by Krupp in 1908, a steel twin-screw ship of 8,000 tons, with quadruple-expansion engines, giving her a speed of 13 1/2 knots, and a deadweight capacity of 7,800, in addition to comfortable passenger accommodation for 300 odd. As such she was a very useful ship on various Hamburg American services, but principally that to Central America and the Gulf. She arrived here at Hamburg just before war broke out, and remained there until after the Armistice, although when circumstances looked propitious for an invasion of England she was equipped as a transport for German cavalry and engineers. After the Armistice, these transport fittings were hastily ripped out of her, and in April, 1919, she arrived in the Downs from Hamburg, having been allocated to the British under the Armistice Commission. The Shipping Controller placed her under the management of the White Star Line, who appointed Captain H. Smith to her, and sent her to Sydney from Liverpool, the company's Australian service at that time being very depleted and strained to the utmost. She finished her White Star service in March, 1920, and in the following December was bought by the Anchor Line, intended principally as a stopgap pending the delivery of the new ships which they had ordered. She was re-named "Assyria," a traditional name on the company's Bombay service, which had already been borne by two well known liners. After a voyage or two on the Bombay run she was sent out on a voyage between the Clyde and New York, where they were short of ships, and while on this run in January, 1923, a million dollars' worth of liquor was seized on board by the U.S. Customs authorities, but released when it was proved clearly that it was being carried quite legally. In spite of the fact that she was considerably smaller than most of the ships on the North Atlantic run, she was a very popular vessel, and carried a large number of passengers. The ship was withdrawn on the completion of the "Caledonia" and "Transylvania." She was then laid up on the Clyde for a spell before being put back on the Bombay service, a service on which she continued, with several intervals laid up in the Clyde, until her sale. In the spring of 1928 she was given extra third-class accommodation for the Indian trade, and in the late summer of the same year she did well on Mediterranean cruises.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMER

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" arrived at Kobe on December 3 (Tues.) at 8.30 a.m., left Kobe on December 3 (Tues.) at 4 p.m., and is due at Yokohama on December 4 (Wed.) at 7 p.m. She leaves Yokohama on December 5 (Thurs.) at 3 p.m.

The P. & O. s.s. "Rawalpindi" left Shanghai for this port on December 3 at 3.30 p.m., and is due here on December 6 at about 6 a.m.

The B.L. s.s. "Tilawa" left Singapore for this port on November 28, p.m., and is due here on December 4 at about 1 p.m.

The O.S. s.s. "Kalyan" from Hong Kong arrived London on December 1 at 10 p.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" from Hong Kong on November 18 arrived at Vancouver on December 2.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE

Consignees of cargo ex M.V. "Danmark" are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after December 10.

MORE ABOUT THE "ASAMA MARU"

EQUIPMENT OF NAVIGATING APPLIANCE

FIRE PRECAUTIONS

The equipment of navigating appliances on the "Asama Maru" is of a particularly complete character, including a complete Sperry gyro-compass equipped with an automatic steerer of the two-unit type and a course recorder, a Kolster radio direction finder, a Sal Log speed and distance indicator, electric engine revolution indicators, an electric helm indicator, clear view of the engine room, and many other modern devices. An elaborate system of electric engine, docking, anchor and steering telegraphs of the alternating current type is also provided. Inter-communication by means of a loud-speaking telephone system is provided between the wheel-house, the main and auxiliary engine-rooms, the docking bridge, the steering engine-room, the emergency dynamo room, the wireless office and several other positions.

Propelling Machinery

A feature of an especially important and interesting character incorporated in the design of this vessel is the adoption of the internal combustion engine for her main propelling machinery. The engines, which were built by Messrs. Sulzer Bros. at their works in Switzerland and installed by the builders, consist of four sets of eight-cylinder, single-acting motors developing 10,000 H.P. It is a great credit to both the Swiss firm and the Japanese builders that a successful official trial run of the ship, which took place at Nagasaki on August 1 last, far exceeded all expectations, for the power then developed amounted to 19,000 H.P. and the highest speed attained was over twenty-eight knots. The great economy of travelling on an oil-engined ship is the total absence of smoke and soot, which often constitute a nuisance—unavoidable but none the less unpleasant—to passengers travelling by a steamer. The occupying of less space by the machinery of a motor ship is another advantage for a passenger ship, since more generous accommodation can consequently be allocated to passengers, as is well illustrated in the case of the "Asama Maru."

Safety Appliances

Special attention has been devoted to the provision of a complete and efficient equipment of life-saving appliances, and this has been installed in accordance with the latest requirements of the Teishinsho, the United States Steamboat Inspection Service and the Board of Trade, and, moreover, they comply in all respects with the rules recently laid down by the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1929. The outfit of lifeboats includes twelve class 1A lifeboats, six decked lifeboats and two motor lifeboats, the latter having wireless and searchlights, for 60 to 70 persons. Notable features of the equipment of the lifeboats themselves are the Fleming hand-propelling gear and the Robinson's patent disengaging gear. For handling the boats, six pairs of patent davits of the gravity type and eight pairs of the quadrant type have been supplied by the Welin-MacLachlan Davit Co., each davit being provided with a separate electrically-driven winch. All power-operated water-tight doors are controlled from the bridge.

WARSHIPS IN PORT

British warships in port this morning were:

In basin of R.N. Dockyard: "Tamar," "Cornflower," "Seep," "Thracian," "Swordfish," "Petersfield." At north arm: "Crocodiles," "Seraph," "West wall," "Kent" (flagship). In Dock: "Mafeking," "Seamew," "Magnolia." No. 4 Buoy: "Herald." No. 5 Buoy: "Hermes." No. 6 Buoy: "Berwick." No. 7 Buoy: "Somme." No. 8 Buoy: "Brace." No. 11 Buoy: "Sindar." Wharves: "Dorset," "Cornwall." Foreign Men of War: French Gunboat "Argus," Chinese Gunboat "Ming Sang," Portuguese Gunboat "Macao."

"CHUNG LEE" OWNERS SUED

\$1,000 SUIT FOR REPAIR TO A LIGHTER

CONDITIONS OF WORK

Work done to a local lighter off the beach at Shamshulpo, which is littered with craft of all types and ages, formed the subject of a case before the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Wood) in the Supreme Court (Summary Jurisdiction) this morning.

Plaintiff, represented by Mr. Frank X. d'Almada, was Tsang Kau Kee, otherwise known as Tsang Kau Kee, of No. 33, Fook Chuen Hong Street, Shamshulpo, ship-repairer. Defendants, represented by Mr. F. C. E. Rendall, were Mi Yuen Chung Kee and Yiu Yuen (partner), whose address was described as the matchbox on Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1221, opposite No. 681, Shanghai Street, Mongkoktsui, shipowners.

The claim was for 1,428.47, balance due for extra work and labour done and materials supplied in the repairs to the lighter "Chung Lee" of which defendants are owners. Plaintiff waived the \$428.47 to bring the claim within the summary jurisdiction.

Partnership Admitted

Mr. Rendall said that the second defendant admitted partnership in the defendant firm but denied the claim as a whole.

In opening, Mr. d'Almada said that an estimate for the original work was signed by second defendant, that this work was started on March 5 this year, and that on March 25 plaintiff was told that there would be extra work (which formed the basis of the claim).

The claim was, in fact, in respect of both accounts because plaintiff had been paid from time to time, leaving the balance stated.

Mr. Rendall stated that the defence was that the extras were not ordered by defendants, also that any extra being employed and paid at piece work rates. Actually there was a balance of \$31 due to plaintiff, according to the defendants' figures, but defendants set that off as damages for overtime on the contract as it was not completed by plaintiff on the due date.

Evidence was called and the case is proceeding.

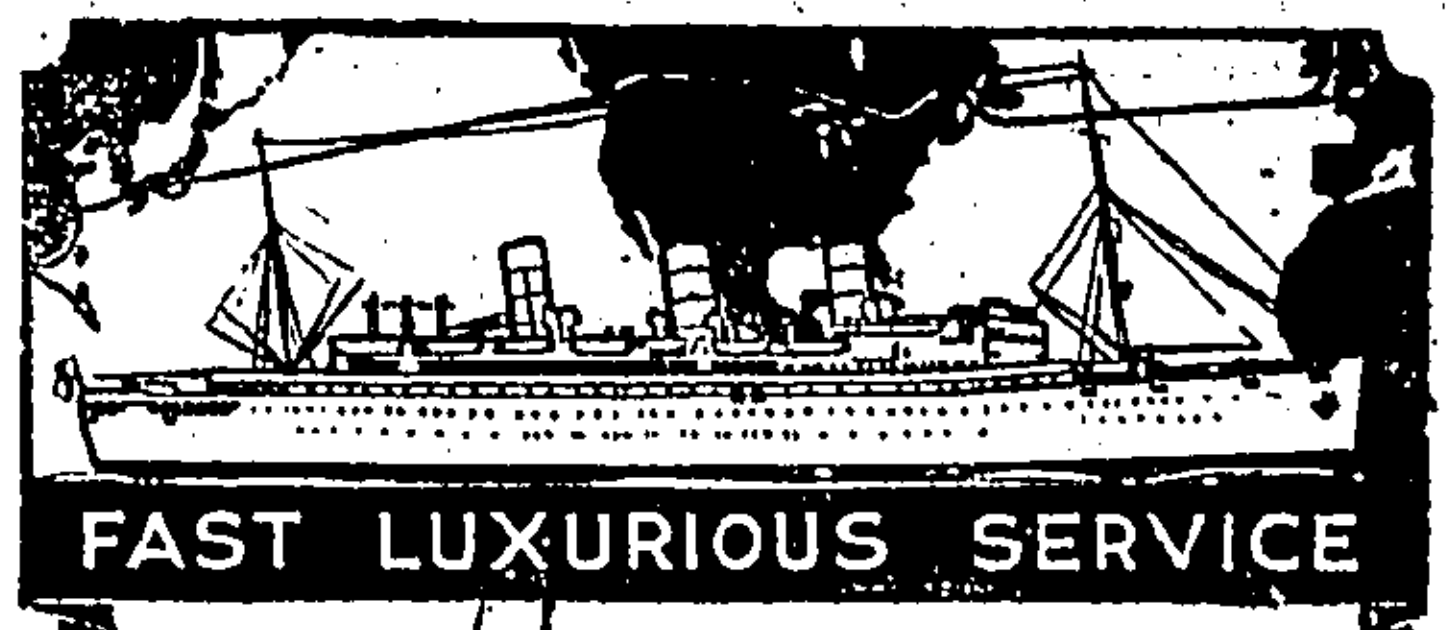
PASSENGER LISTS

ARRIVALS

For s.s. "President Grant" from America, Japan and China, December 2—Dr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Berovitz and family, F. Cunningham, Sidney Dant, Mr. and Mrs. J. Fleming, and daughter, Mrs. A. Garchitoren, H. Hazelwood, Martin J. Heller, Mr. and Mrs. H. Hibler, Miss Helen Ingram, Lieut. J. E. Jones, E. A. Kolbas, N. K. Pavlov, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Requa, H. D. Talbot, Mrs. V. Teus, G. C. Urquhart.

DEPARTURES

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RAJPUTANA	16,568	6th Dec.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
ST. ALBANS	4,500	10th Dec.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
TALAMBA	8,018	11th Dec.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
*KHYBER	9,114	13th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*MIRZAPUR	6,715	21st Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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CHINESE MAIL

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plained that the copy was a rough
one and might not be word for word
identical with the one he had sent,
but it would serve the purpose of
conveying his reason for refusing
Chinese mails. The letter read:—
To the P.M.G.—Sir, In reply to
your letter of the 12th instant, I
beg to say the following:—

"The a.s. 'Sanning' is not owned
by the Man On Company which
is a Chinese firm at Wuchow, and
the agents there for the Kam King
S.S. Company of Hong Kong, who
are the owners of the vessel.

"On making enquiries through my
purser, the Manager of the Man On
Company stated that a few years
ago the then Chinese Government
forced them to sign a contract to
carry mails which has no stated
time-limit. At the time the vessel,
I think, was being operated by an
other company between Wuchow
and Canton under the Chinese flag
in which case they had no redress.
But when the Company was re-
formed and the vessel put under the
British flag, in 1926, I take it that
that contract was no longer valid,
as I believe that a foreign firm in
a foreign country has not the power
to make contracts for a British ves-
sel carrying mails out of a British
port, they not being the owners of
the vessel. But even if this is so,
and the contract is valid, then the
onus of responsibility must rest on
the firm or someone paid by them,
and not on the master of the vessel,
whom they expect gratuitously to
take charge of the mails which they
have agreed to carry, whether by
force or of their own free will.

"If this is not the case, I am
being forced to take the risk of
being fined anything up to \$500 for
loss or damage for no recompense
whatever. I have known cases
where masters have been heavily
fined, but in those cases they were
paid for what they carried.

"I have been verbally told that
the big companies have agreed to
carry Chinese transshipment mails
free. To those wealthy companies
it is a mere nothing and a fine would
not hurt them, but the 'Sanning'
is a single ship Company and the
mails are left to the Master, so in
case of loss or damage, I could not
expect them to pay a fine, as the
big concerns undoubtedly would. I
should be held responsible, and I do
not think that a fair thing.

"I would carry the mails with
pleasure if the Chinese Post Office
and the Hong Kong G.P.O. will
give me a written statement that
I shall have no fines levied on me in
case of damage or loss."

Mr. Smith at this stage inquired
if such a letter as that mentioned
by the Captain had indeed been sent,
and Capt. Smith asserted that it
had.

Mr. Smith then told the Magis-
trate that he wanted to go into the
correspondence, as he confessed that
he had no recollection of the
Captain's letter. He suggested an
adjournment of the case, and Capt.
Smith raised no objection.

Mr. Grantham granted an ad-
journment *sine die*.

LESSON TO STEP-SON

Theft of Clothing from
Laundry

At the request of his step-father a
Chinese, unemployed for the past few
months, was at the Kowloon Magistracy
charged with the theft of 10 pieces of
clothing from the Steam Laundry Co.,
Dundas Street, Mongkok.

The accused was sentenced to six
weeks' hard labour on pleading guilty.
The step-father, Mr. Leung Yin-tin,
who is the proprietor of the Steam
Laundry Co., told the Magistrate that
the boy had not been doing as he should
have done, so he brought him up before
the Court as a lesson.

GETTING IN FORM

President-Elect Goes To
Hospital

Mexico City, Yesterday.
Senator Rubio, the President-elect,
has left secretly for America to
enter John S. Hopkins's Hospital
for rest and treatment. — Reuter.

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T'iao via S'hai & S'hai	KWANGSANG	Wed., 18th Dec. at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Moji & Kobe	YUENSANG	Thurs., 18th Dec. at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Moji & Kobe	SUHSANG	Wed., 18th Dec. at 7 a.m.
Kobe	KUMSANG	Tues., 31st Dec. at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Moji & HOSANG	—	Sun., 19th Jan. at 7 a.m.
S'pore, Penang & Calcutta	KUMSANG	Wed., 18th Dec. at 8 p.m.
S'pore, Penang & Calcutta	KUMSANG	Sat., 22nd Dec. at 8 p.m.
Sandakan	MAUSANG	Fri., 4th Jan. at Noon
Sandakan	HINSANG	Sat., 4th Jan. at Noon
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CHINA WAR

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THE FOREIGN COLONY

Tokyo, Yesterday.

A message from Harbin states
that much anxiety is felt over
the foreign colony at Manchull
and Hallar, since nothing has
been heard since November 17,
when the Soviet resumed ac-
tivities.

Foreign consultants are trying to
get into touch, but to no purpose.
The Chinese authorities are with-
holding information in the west-
ern section of the C.E.R. on the
ground of interruption of com-
munications.

PRE-CONFLICT STATUS

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Mukden reports state that Chang
Hueh-liang has requested Tsai
Yun-sheng, the Chinese repre-
sentative at the Harbinovsk con-
ference, to submit the following
points:—
Firstly, although the Chinese
Government agrees to restore the
pre-conflict status of the Chinese
Eastern Railway, it deems it neces-
sary to secure a guarantee that the
Soviet Government will not use
the railway as a base for Com-
munist propaganda.

Secondly, as the deposed Russian
manager and assistant manager of
the C.E.R. directed such propa-
ganda, China proposes their reinstatement.

Thirdly, should the Soviet Gov-
ernment agree to the above con-
ditions, the Chinese Government will
dismiss the officials who caused the
dispute.

Fourthly, prisoners held by China
and by Russia shall be liberated;
and fifthly, the forces of both coun-
tries shall be withdrawn to a spec-
ified line within the frontier. —
Reuter.

JAPAN STANDS BACK

Tokyo, Yesterday.

It is officially learned that Japan
has no intention of supporting the
American representation to China
and the Soviet. Though speaking
guardedly, official circles appear to
think that the issuance of joint re-
presentations at this stage may
possibly hinder, rather than help
Mukden and Moscow to come to
terms, as there are already signs
that China is interpreting the
action to her own advantage, and
stiffening her attitude accordingly. —
Reuter.

NATIONAL OPERA

Premier Refuses to Grant
Government Aid

Rugby, Yesterday.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Ramsay
Macdonald, in the House of Com-
mons to-day, was asked whether,
in view of the fact that \$100,000
had been collected from 50,000 sub-
scribers to the Imperial League of
Opera, the Government intended
to give assistance in establishing
a national opera. While express-
ing the warmest sympathy with
the Opera League's aims, the Pre-
mier regretted that he could not
promise it a grant from public
funds. — British Wireless Service.

HONG KONG TIDE

The tide-table given below has
been obtained by aid of the Tide-
predicting Machine, which includes 40
components for the better prediction
of tides, from the result of the
analysis of the tidal observations
taken at the Kowloon tidal observa-
tory under the direction of Dr.
Dobrick during the years 1881, 1888
and 1889.

The times and heights are given
for Kowloon; but they may be used
for the Victoria Naval Yard and
Aberdeen, the differences being very
small.

The times of high and low-water
must not be considered to coincide
with the times of slack-water and
change of current, the two phenomena
being quite distinct.

December 4 to 10, 1929.

Nov.	High Water	Low Water	High Water	Low Water
Date	Standard Time	H.	Standard Time	H.
Wed.	11 11 a.m.	4.3	5 53 a.m.	1.3
Thurs.	10 31 a.m.	7.5	5 53 a.m.	4.1
Fri.	10 51 a.m.	7.5	5 53 a.m.	1.4
Sat.	11 42 a.m.	7.5	5 53 a.m.	1.4
Sun.	11 42 a.m.	7.5	5 53 a.m.	1.4
Mon.	11 42 a.m.	7.5	5 53 a.m.	1.4
Tues.	11 42 a.m.	7.5	5 53 a.m.	1.4



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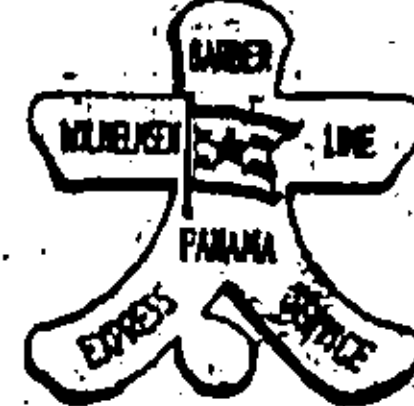
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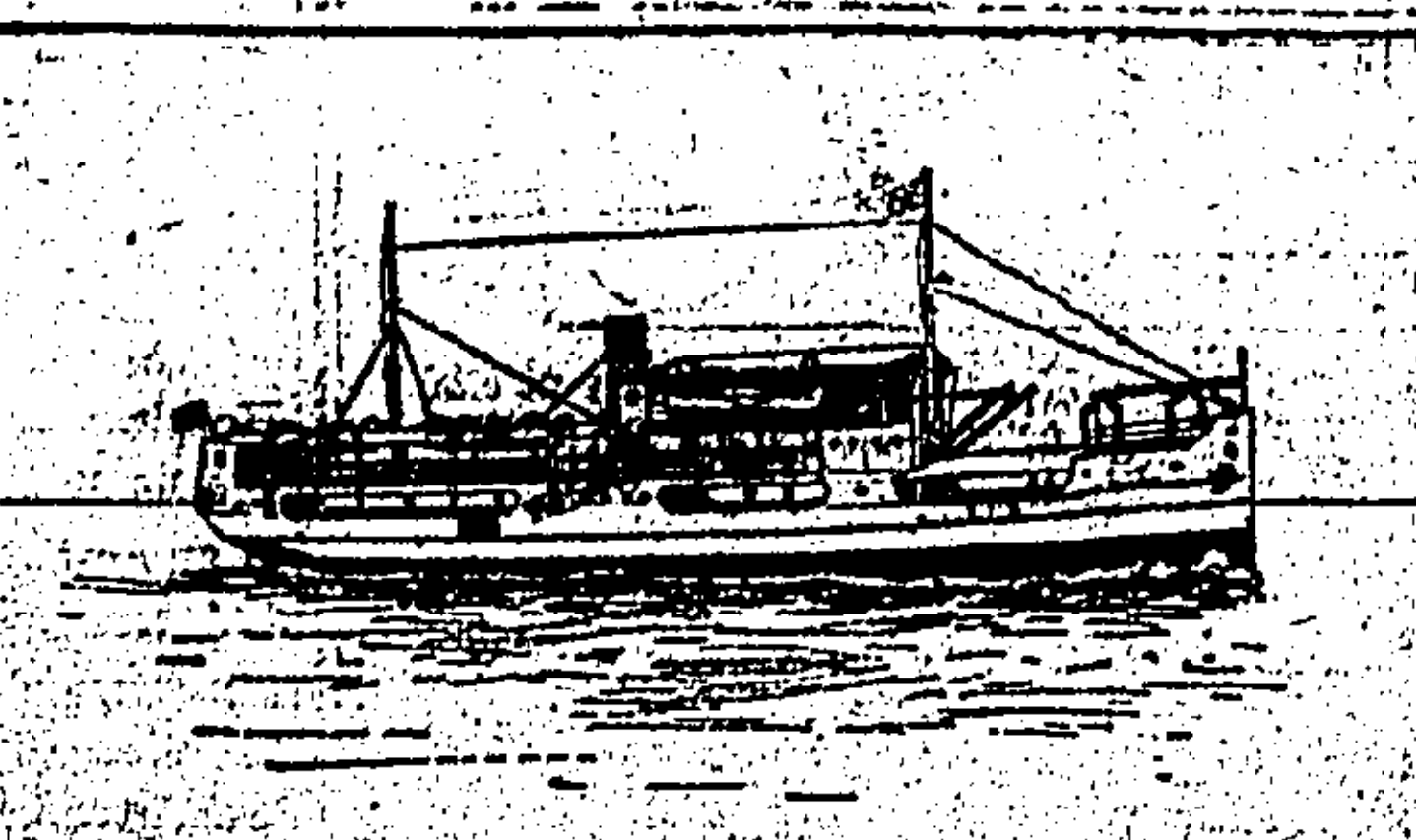
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Major E. D. Caddell, of the R.A.M.C., has taken over the position of Hon. Secretary of the United Services Recreation Club from Major Charles, who is due to leave for Home early next year.

The Chinese house coolie of Mr. M. H. Large, 2 Torres Buildings, Kowloon, was at the Kowloon Magistracy to-day remanded for 24 hours, pending further enquiries into the alleged theft of \$30 from his employer's safe.

Charged with the unlawful possession of some dead pine, a Hakka woman at the Kowloon Magistracy admitted that she had taken it from the hillside at Shatin and was fined \$10, with the alternative of 14 days' hard labour.

Arraigned on two charges of theft from Wong Tsau and Un Kok, house coolies at Kingsclere Hotel, an unemployed Chinese, 23 years of age, was at the Kowloon Magistracy to-day remanded for 24 hours in custody.

An unemployed Chinese man was at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning charged with indecently assaulting a Chinese married woman, living at 61, Portland Street, Tsimshatsui. The defendant was remanded in police custody for 24 hours.

A Sale of Work will be held in St. Stephen's Girls' College, Kwok Siu Lau Hall, by the students of the College and Fairless School, in aid of the Ministering Children's League, to-morrow. Mrs. H. T. Creasy will perform the opening ceremony at 11 o'clock.

Slight damage to motor bus No. 119 (Vulcan) of the China Motor Bus Co., was done by fire last night, which broke out in the yard. Two appliances were sent hurriedly to the scene where, on arrival, it was found that petrol, which had become ignited, had caused the fire.

The Superiress and Sisters of the St. Francis Convent, Wanchai, St. Francis Street, in acknowledging through the "China Mail" yesterday the generosity of their many patrons and friends in connection with the Fair on Sunday, inadvertently omitted the names of the Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes and Mr. S. C. Park, both of whom contributed liberally to the funds.

COUNCIL MEETING Five New Bills On Agenda

The agenda for the meeting of the Legislative Council to-morrow afternoon includes the following:

The Attorney General to move the first reading of—
"An Ordinance to amend further the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903."
"An Ordinance to amend further the Companies Ordinance, 1911."
"An Ordinance to amend the Arms and Ammunition Ordinance, 1900."
"An Ordinance to amend the Crown Lands Resumption Ordinance, 1900."
"An Ordinance to amend the De-

MEMORIES OF A GREAT PRINCE

BY HERR EMIL LUDWIG

(Continued from Yesterday.)

A Collector's Vanity

At the Villa Malta the Prince once pointed out to me a picture by Veronese over the doorway, and said, "I have asked my excellent friend, Professor Pastor, to mention in a note in his great history that this picture has passed into the possession of Prince Bulow."

The remark annoyed me, for if a man has ruled the German Empire for ten years he does not need to ask at the end of that time for a footnote stating that he possesses a certain picture. In my impatience I was so far carried away as to reply:

"That is all very well, but at the best you always get evasion in history. Of Chateaubriand, for example, we know nothing more to-day than the trimmings."

At this unlooked-for reply Bulow showed impatience. Instead of quoting Faust and answering, "Don't you know, my friend, how clumsy you are," he passed over my irony, and supported by his wonderful memory he said quickly, "Chateaubriand? Ah, he is perhaps not so much forgotten as you think. Why, I remember the verses in which he tells of the call of Moses." Then followed thirty or forty French verses, coming out as a cascade such as I could not deliver even from German poems.

It is not surprising that with such rich gifts, as compared with the incompetence of his successors, he wanted to return to power. Naturally, he denied that absolutely. He affected to be satisfied with office, but he gave indirect indications, none the less, of what he really wanted. Once when he was in Berlin, probably at the end of 1917, when he himself was nearly 70 years of age, he went through the names of the men in power, swinging his bunch of keys as he did so, and touching on all with an obviously ironic respect.

The Angry Emperor
At the same time, he was brilliant in evading problems. If you asked him in the course of a conversation, in a train about some passing place, he would shuffle his timetable to get the answer until the place that you had asked about had disappeared. Only by such means could he have borne the ten years with the Kaiser, of whom he always spoke with respect.

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"An Ordinance to amend further the Stamp Ordinance, 1921."
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The Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton to move the second reading of—
"An Ordinance to provide for the incorporation of the Procurator in Hong Kong of the Portuguese Province of the Jesuit Order."
"An Ordinance to amend the Jesuit Order Incorporation Ordinance, 1927."

Once he related to me how angry the Emperor was with the Turks when first the news came of the fall of the Sultan. Bulow, who believed in real power, whether it came upward from below or down from heaven, could not suddenly alter his Balkan policy. "I said to the Kaiser, among other things, that even Frederick the Great, his respected ancestor, had survived all kinds of changes in Turkish policy and yet had remained in alliance with Turks." As he did not touch his Master in the weakest spot that historical recollection flattered him, and thus Bulow overcame the Emperor's anger against the wicked revolutionaries.

His pedantry, which caused him to underline important sentences in his book, was always to me more sympathetic than was his habit of continually playing with a key-ring which he carried on his watch-chain, revolving it rhythmically in a circle, thereby disturbing his conversation. This soothing habit, instinctively resorted to, shows that he must have been more nervous than one thought from his fresh and healthy manner.

Written Memoirs

He came at last to Hertling, the Chancellor, who was 73.

"And then there is my excellent friend Hertling, with whom for forty years I have been connected by an intimate friendship. A remarkable head, no doubt. But—and yet he is an old man."

On another occasion we were speaking about Tardieu's book about him. I made the remark that it was high time that a German should prepare a biography of the Prince. He was silent for a moment, and then he said quickly, "Isn't it too soon?"

Here the man of the world had betrayed himself; for a second the ball had involuntarily stopped rolling.

The Prince had completed three volumes of memoirs, which, as I know, are of great literary and historical value. When I saw him for the last time in March of this year, I asked him why they did not appear. He said, "I will not hear the clamour. You can have a copy after my death." Then he turned to my wife and added with youthful coquetry these words: "Please take care that your husband does not treat me too badly."

TEN YEARS AGO

(From the "China Mail"
December 4, 1919.)

Today's dollar is worth 5/- 14d.

The first professor for the Hong Kong University has arrived. His name is G. R. Byrne, and he is a B.Sc., Manchester. He had four years of teaching experience in Cairo and another five years in Jamaica. We hope he will prefer Hong Kong to these places.

MEN, WOMEN, AND AFFAIRS

This Marriage Business: Dame Rumour in China: "The Green Hat" Author: The Ways of Madme. Diademata: Hotel Flattery

The Luxury of Marriage

THE oft discussed question of the additional cost of living in the Far East to a married European depends on so many factors that nobody has ever been able to give an exact answer. Either the husband or wife may be unduly extravagant, and the figure must vary considerably in relation to the number and age of children—if any. Leaving children out of the question and assuming that neither husband nor wife is particularly extravagant, the ratio of necessary, normal expenditure is probably somewhere about 3 to 4, provided there is no difference in the style of living. Thus if it cost a single man \$600 to live in a house by himself, the coming of a wife would mean an expenditure of about \$800 a month. This is not to say that it costs a married couple \$800 a month to live in Hong Kong. Many live on less. The figures are merely given to show how the proportion works out, provided there is no difference in the style of living. But when, as is often the case, the unmarried man has lived in a mess or has had to share a house with somebody else before marriage, matrimony will involve a steeper ratio than 3 to 4, probably something like 4 to 6. And the converse holds good if the wife goes home.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Sir Henry Pollock and Mr. J. M. Alves returned to the Colony on the "Amelia" from Hong Kong.

The match between the Hong Kong Hockey Club and the Army arranged for to-day, has been cancelled.

Lady Clement has kindly consented to discontinue the prize to students of the Peak School at the Peak Club on Friday, December 20.

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HOSPITAL FACILITIES

If Kowloon people have been under the impression that they have been provided with an up-to-date hospital, adequate for every kind of emergency, they must have suffered a rude shock on reading the evidence at the trial of Mr. Henry Marriott on a charge of manslaughter, on which he was very properly acquitted. When the Indian watchman was accidentally shot by Mr. Marriott at the Kowloon Dock on November 10, there was an interval of twenty minutes before the arrival of the ambulance. Mr. Marriott accompanied the injured man to the Kowloon Hospital, where "the doctors considered an operation necessary, and as there is very adequate Indian accommodation at the Government Civil Hospital on the Hong Kong side, they transferred him there"—an hour and a quarter after the accident. On his admission to the Government Civil Hospital—after a journey across the harbour and another journey in an ambulance to the hospital—the Medical Officer decided that an immediate operation was necessary. A general anaesthetic was given, but the Indian never recovered and died the following day.

To the lay mind, unconversed with surgical practice, it must at once occur that it was a grave pity that the journey across the harbour to the Government Civil Hospital was deemed necessary on the plea that there are more adequate facilities there than in the Kowloon Hospital for Indian patients. That evidence

was given that, on admission to the Kowloon Hospital the Indian's pulse was normal and that there was no sign of internal haemorrhage. It, therefore, did seem kinder to the patient to transfer him to a hospital where there is "very adequate accommodation for Indians." But—the point that does arise is: when the authorities planned the Kowloon Hospital in the first instance did it not occur to them to give at the Kowloon Hospital the same adequate facilities for Indian cases as obtain at the Government Civil Hospital on the Hong Kong side? Did it never occur to them that grave emergencies might arise at any moment where it would be most vital to human life to have adequate facilities in the Kowloon Hospital for Indian cases? It would be mere conjecture—and perhaps unwarranted at that—to conclude that after his admission to the Kowloon Hospital there may have been a grave risk to the patient in thereafter transferring him to the other side of the harbour—a journey to the Star Ferry, another journey across the harbour, and a third journey to the Government Civil Hospital. It is not for the layman to assert that if that triple journey could have been averted, the life of the Indian might have been saved. We must place implicit trust in the decision of the doctors of the Kowloon Hospital to transfer him. But, even when that is done, we are not still satisfied with "the apparent" lack of adequate accommodation in the Kowloon Hospital for Indian cases. The disclosure is not a pleasant one. It seems to show that the Kowloon Hospital—one of the finest institutions of the kind in the Far East in many other respects—is not one hundred per cent perfect for all emergencies involving the detention and treatment of patients of every nationality. The matter is of very vital import and might well be considered by the Kowloon Residents' Association Committee at its next monthly meeting.

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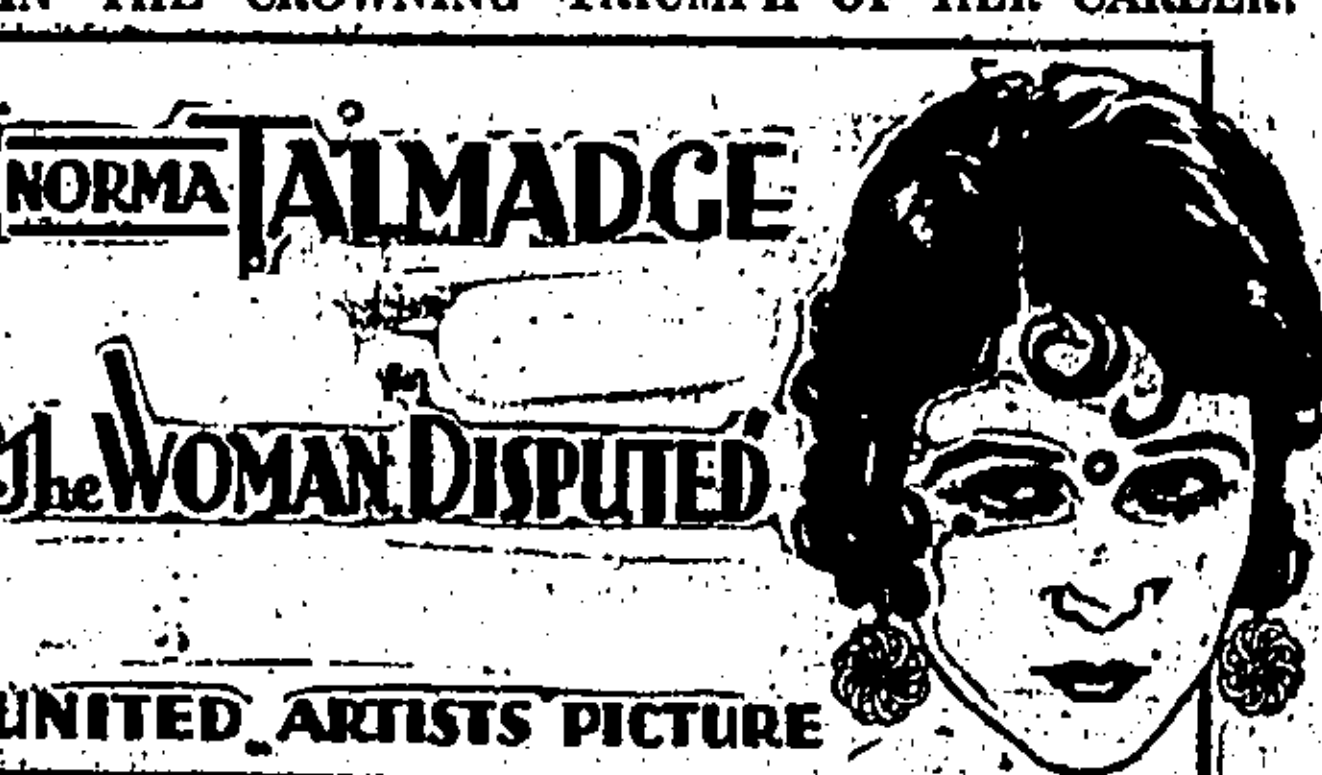
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FAMOUS FILM STARS' VISIT

Mary Pickford And "Doug" Fairbanks In Colony
ARRIVING ON THURSDAY
All Their Principal Films To Be Shown

Mary Pickford and Douglas Fairbanks, famous in every corner of the globe as the heroine and hero of film plays, are to visit Hong Kong on Thursday, December 5. They will arrive on the s.s. "Rajputana" from Europe, which they have been touring extensively, and hope to stay in the Colony for a few days, prior to sailing to Shanghai by the "Asama Maru." They will probably stay at the Peninsula Hotel during their visit, and, by a coincidence, Mary Pickford's sister, Lottie (Mrs. Chillard), also famous on the screen, has been staying at the Peninsula Hotel, and leaves the Colony to-night.

During the period of Mr. and Mrs. Fairbanks' stay, all the cinemas owned by the Hong Kong Amusements, Limited, will feature films in which the two "stars" have appeared.

"COQUETTE" AT THE QUEEN'S

Mary Pickford has renounced her curls and little girl part and appears as a rougish, captivating young modern in "Coquette," her sensational 100 per cent. talking picture which comes to the Queen's Theatre to-day.

The foremost little lady of the screen has outgrown the film childhood during which she delighted millions in "Little Annie Rooney," "Tess of the Storm Country" and countless other unforgettable masterpieces.

Realising that in this inventive age, with its new conventions and high-paced activities, there was no place for the make-believe child she had created, Mary Pickford has decided to begin a new career as the woman she really is.



Mary Pickford

"Coquette" is the first vehicle of the new Mary Pickford. The famous actress who made her stage bow with David Belasco, you will hear and see as a laughing, carefree southern belle who flirted, kissed and forgot, until there came a man she couldn't forget—HER man.

You'll be thrilled, amused, fascinated and charmed by this romantic drama pivoting about the daughter of a proud, old Southern family and her rugged mountaineer lover.

In "Coquette" the clash of the high-born versus the low, father versus lover, convention versus love, wealth versus worth, results in a tale of great conflicts and smashing drama. "Coquette" presents Mary Pickford in her first speaking part in the films and the greatest role of her career.

Her Early Days

Fate made Mary Pickford an actress. Chosen for her into motion pictures—and from that upward to fame. Had it not been for this fortuitous combination, the story of Mary Pickford might have been very different, for she had several ideas for her future besides that of a screen career. If she had not visited the old Biograph studio in New York on one memorable afternoon, her life-work might have lain in any one of several channels, including that of being a business executive, instead of a cinema star.

"With almost everyone, no matter how successful and contented they may be with their chosen work," writes an eminent psychologist, "there is a submerged second choice, although not always realised; another sphere of endeavour which makes an appeal of greater or lesser degree and in which the person sometimes dreams he might have achieved equal renown."

If Destiny had not brought Miss Pickford to D. W. Griffith's attention, she might have continued with her stage career; or she might even have followed her leaning toward portrait painting; or it is possible that she would have taken up interior decorating, in which, incidentally, she is still greatly interested. But most likely she would have gone into the business world, beginning, as a salesgirl in some department store, and undoubtedly climbing to the top of the ladder.

Full Pledged Actress

Mary Pickford's all-talking screen version of the Broadway stage success "Coquette" will mark for her the unique experience of rounding out a cycle of silent spoken roles which began on the stage and culminates now on the silver modern talking screen.

Miss Pickford's first appearance on the legitimate stage was a mute one. She was too young when she made her debut to manage any lines. But in a later stage production she was given lines to speak and became a full-fledged actress of the time. Her first appearance in films was also, necessarily, a silent one. She could talk, but the screen could not. It was the screen's own infancy that prescribed action without words. But now, thanks to the mechanical progress of modern pictures, she can express herself in the double dimensions of sight and sound, for she will talk on the screen in "Coquette."

"The Mark of Zorro"

Douglas Fairbanks, whose great



Douglas Fairbanks

picture, "The Mark of Zorro" will be screened at the World cinema this week, was a stage actor until one day he happened to see "The Birth of a Nation."

So enthralled did "Doug" become over the enormous possibilities of the screen as a medium for the propagation of entertainment and education, that he left the theatre that night bent in serious thought. Here was an opportunity of reaching the vast audiences of the world through motion pictures—an impossibility through the stage. Also one could put his whole energy into the creation of a motion picture with natural scenery that eventually would penetrate in every town, village and hamlet—something never accomplished by a theatrical company. That night Fairbanks talked the matter over with a few of his intimate friends and casually remarked that if he could procure D. W. Griffith to supervise his efforts before the camera, he would forsake the stage and enter motion pictures.

Subsequently it transpired that Griffith did personally control the supervision of "Doug's" pictures for his first two years on the screen. Thus it came about that Douglas Fairbanks has successfully striven to become the most popular and by far the greatest of all male screen stars.

It has often been prophesied that if the largest universal audience could ever be assembled upon the vast plains of Texas and the likenesses of all the great men of history together with one of Fairbanks, be flashed separately upon a screen large enough for all to see, that "Doug's" picture would instantaneously be the only sign of unanimous recognition.

"Marry" and "Doug" Films
Other films featuring Mary Pickford and Douglas Fairbanks to be shown this week are: "The Best Girl" at the Star; "Rosita" at the Grand; "The Gaucho" at the Tai Yat; "Don Q" at the Cheong Lok; and "The Gaucho" at the Ming Sing. This will be the first time that two "Stars" have been featured exclusively in Hong Kong cinemas.

"BEFORE AND AFTER"

Bobbed Her Hair to Play in "Coquette"

One of the outstanding experiences of a woman's life is the bobbing of her hair.

Seldom has this step been taken with entire confidence in the result, and regardless of her pose it is a rare woman indeed who first feels the cold of a barber's shears on the

back of her neck without feeling an attendant sinking of the heart.

Consider then, the case of a young woman whose hair, perhaps more than any woman in all history, has been her crowning glory.

One morning about a year ago in New York City, a shy winsome personality with a small and winsome smile, not unmindful of the fact that the entire world was interested in her slightest activity, walked out of her hotel alone, hailed a taxicab, and proceeded to a well-known coiffeur's establishment just off Fifth Avenue in the Fifties. People watched her as she emerged from the hotel to the cab. More people gathered and whispered in the fleeting moment when she left the cab to enter the shop.

THE SPIRIT OF THE SAMOAN DANCE

FASCINATING DISPLAY AT THE THEATRE ROYAL

EXCELLENT IMPRESSION

If one can conceive of music, carefree and wild, entering the flesh and the muscles and stimulating a reaction of twitching, writhing limbs, one has a very excellent impression of the Samoan dancers. These simple people are made of music, and to produce a fascinating wriggle, all that is necessary to be done is to wave a guitar. The body does the rest. They never wait for the "lead" with their ears strained, like Pavlova to her orchestra of strings and dulcimers; their limbs are in subtle motion from the beginning to the end of the performance, maneuvering like excited pythons.

The Atmosphere

One was sorry to see in such a chill, late-Victorian atmosphere as the Theatre Royal seems to yield, this charming children of nature, with very little on beyond a sarong or a rush skirt, flaunting their aged-old ritual dances before the drab landscape of a suburban park. A few palm trees and "paraphernalia" of the "mystic, shimmering, blue-and-gold South Seas" would have enhanced our enjoyment on their.

Lovely Savagery

Criticism of local apathy apart, the Samoan dancers are quite delightful people, whose art, in its unrestrained, yet beautiful savagery, is extremely fascinating to watch and hear.

Princess Roselani, who dominated the *mise-en-scene*, writhed like an English thrush song of passion and desire to the plaintive sighs of the steel guitars. Lei Illiana and Pulu Moe accentuated their dazzling personal charms with sinuous movements and coquettish rotations of the eyes.

Demon Dances

The male dancers appeared to possess amazing vitality and *joie de vivre*, and danced with the spirits of demons. One frankly enjoyed this fascinating show, and wish it had been better supported.

"BINGO"

FAREWELL PERFORMANCES

The Samoan Dancers, who have just given two of their delightful entertainments in the Theatre Royal, will give two more in the Star Theatre to-night and to-morrow night. These will be absolutely the last opportunities for the public of Hong Kong and Kowloon to see this unique troupe. On Friday and Saturday nights they are giving two special performances in the Royal Navy Canteen Theatre, but for Service men only; and next week they leave for Haiphong and Hanoi, where they arrive just in time for the Hanoi Fair.

The programmes to-night and to-morrow night will be similar to those just presented in the Theatre Royal. They will be two hours in length, and (Continued on Next Column.)

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Unrecognised

Less than an hour later she walked down Fifth Avenue in the mid-morning shopping crowds admired but unrecognised. Back in the coiffeur's shop lay the world's most famous curls.

You may by now have guessed that the young woman in this story is none other than Mary Pickford, famed for her golden curls and poor-little girl roles. She was trimmed now to appear on the screen as "Coquette," the sparkling, bobbed-haired modern belle who wins men's hearts with a smile, who defies family and convention for love.

The New Mary

The famous actress, whose film roles heretofore have generally been of the almost juvenile type, has, with a sweep of the scissors, plunged herself abruptly into the mood of an intensely dramatic contemporary social crisis.

The new Mary Pickford is distinguished, first of all, by a short, wind-blown bob. Her slim figure is cloaked in the latest Parisian modes. Her eyes have an irresistible lure for men. Her manner takes on the electrifying technique of the flapper.

The Mary Pickford of "Pollyanna" was a shy, smiling, and slightly coy girl. The Mary Pickford of "Coquette," the poignant Broadway drama, is a daffy, alluring young woman who attracts all men's loves but one, and who flirts her way into a situation, which changes her spirit of humour and despair.

How she solves it will be seen and heard when Mary Pickford appears on the screen at the Queen's Theatre.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

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divided into three parts, the first and last being purely Samoan and Hawaiian, the middle being purely Western. This arrangement brings out the versatility of the Samoans, especially of the two younger girls, and it serves also as a most effective contrast to the Polynesian numbers. The second night's entertainment, as in the Theatre Royal, will have entirely different music. The performances of the Samoans are so refreshing that people return to them again and again; but in bidding good-bye to their many friends in Hong Kong, the Samoans want especially to show, as they could not in a single programme, just what they can do.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN "CHINA MAIL."

Social Functions
To-day—Tea Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and Peninsula Hotel, 4.30 p.m.
To-day—Dinner Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

Entertainments
To-day—Queen's Theatre; "Coquette."
To-day—Star Theatre; "Woman Disputed."
To-day—World Theatre; "Shadows of the Night," at 5.15 and 9.20 p.m. "The Flute of Tears" (Chinese picture) at 2.30 and 7.15 p.m.

To-day—Majestic Theatre; "Road House."

To-day—Harmston's Circus, 9.15 p.m.

To-morrow—Helena May Institute Concert, 5.30 p.m.

Home Malls
To-day—Outward for Europe via Siberia ("Yue Sang"), 6 p.m.

To-morrow—Inward from Europe via Suez ("Rajputana").

Lammert's Auction
Dec. 7—At Sales Room, Duddell Street, silver plated wares, etc., (suitable for Xmas gifts) 10.30 a.m.

Land Sales
Dec. 9—At P.W.D. offices, two lots of Crown Land at Mongkoktau, and Prince Edward rd., Kowloon, 8 p.m.

Sports
Dec. 7—Boxing Tournament, Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.

Dec. 7—Extra Race Meeting, Happy Valley.

Meeting
Dec. 10—Royal Hong Kong Golf Club Meeting, Jardine Matheson's Board Room, 5.30 p.m.

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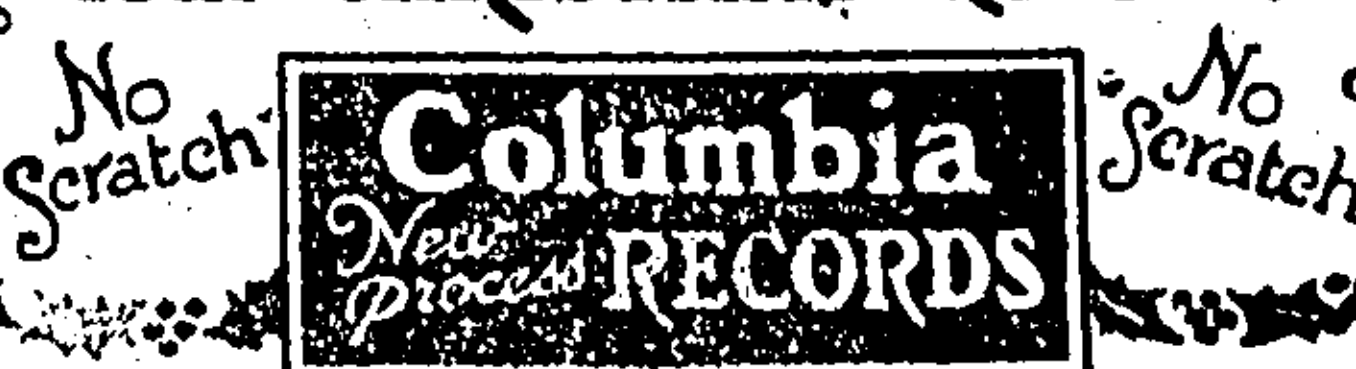
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BOXING SEASON IN COLONY

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TWO CHAMPIONS

Five contests will be decided at the first tournament of the season, arranged by Mr. J. Brook, manager of the Hong Kong Boxing Association at the Theatre Royal on Saturday night. There will be two championships (each of 15 two-minute rounds) and three six two-minute round bouts, as follows:—

15 rounds, for the Colony's heavy-weight championship:—Able Seaman Rowles (H.M.S. "Marazion"), Imperial Services Boxing Association light-heavyweight champion v. Leading Stoker Mann (H.M.S. "Cornwall").

15 rounds, for the Colony's welter-weight championship:—Leading Stoker Morrish (H.M.S. "Hermes"), welterweight champion, China Squadron v. Seaman Creighton (H.M.S. "Cornwall"), welterweight champion of the West of England.

6 rounds, welterweight:—Marine Fraser (H.M.S. "Tamar") v. Able Seaman Clayton (H.M.S. "Berwick").

6 rounds, welterweight:—Kid Campbell (Hong Kong) v. Able Seaman Lee (H.M.S. "Sepoy").

6 rounds, featherweight:—Private Hume (2nd Battalion, King's Own Scottish Borderers) v. Leading Signaller Wells (H.M.S. "Marazion").

It is unusual for two championship contests to be decided the same night. Boxing supporters will therefore begin the new season with a "treat." H.M.S. "Cornwall" is interested in both titles but all units in the Services will be represented on Saturday night.

Final "work out" in training will be gone through by the principals at the V.R.C. to-day and to-morrow, when the public (by courtesy) will be able to see the men going through their paces.

RACING

Handicaps For Principal Events

The following are the handicaps for the tenth extra race meeting on Saturday:—

DECEMBER HANDICAP

"A" Class

Young Pretender	180
King's Counsel	153
Majestic Hall	168
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Our Prince	140
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Duke of Melrose	150
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Triumphant Stag	184
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Loch Alsh	150
Huntington	158
Cream Cracker	150
San Francisco	166
Mount Elburn	144
City Hall	170

"C" Class

Tartar	142
Sunshine	152
Armory	165
Wuchang	151
Zircon II	145
Moak	152
Faaling Stag	150
Bright Prospect	143
Szatmar	155
Chemel	140
Erstwhile	157

TENNIS

Championship Semi-Final At Shameen

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, Yesterday.

The result of the matches between the last eight in the Championship of the Shameen Lawn Tennis Club is as follows:—

G. W. Greene beat J. W. Platt: 4-6, 6-4, 6-3, 6-2.
A. T. Lay beat A. A. L. Tison: 6-2, 6-4, 6-4.
J. Marshall beat W. Galloway: 6-0, 6-9, 6-3.
C. E. Watson beat F. Gandossi: 6-1, 6-0, 6-3.

Yesterday afternoon Lay played Greene in the semi-final round, winning in straight sets, 6-3, 6-3, 6-3, and thus enters the final. Play was not very interesting, Greene being a little wild and Lay contenting himself by playing steadily and placing well, which turned out to be an effective method against Greene's driving. Although playing more attractive strokes Greene had to run all over the court to get Lay's by no means hard but extremely well-placed returns and by the end of the game was quite done up, while Lay was comparatively fresh.

There was one bright phase in the third set when Lay led by 5 games to love. Greene came on suddenly and drove some beautiful shots for aces, bringing the score up to 5-3. However, it was only a flash in the pan and he again became a little wild against Lay's exceptional steadiness and sound placing.

Lay will meet the winner of C. E. Watson and J. Marshall the outcome of which is rather uncertain. Watson, who is suffering from a strained leg, will find it a hard job to beat Marshall, and if it should go to more than three sets will probably not be able to keep up the pace. In any case there should be some bright tennis in the finals.

A Novel System Of Handicap

A novel system of handicapping has been arranged for the annual tennis tournament of the United Services Recreation Club, which starts on Friday, January 3.

Under the new system there will be no permanent handicap, which has seldom proved successful in tournament play. Instead, handicaps will be fixed as under:—Winner of first, no ones 15 in second; if two games up the winner owes 15 and loser receives 15 and if three games up the winner owes 30 and loser receives 15. The latter is the maximum handicap. This system has been tried in an American tournament at the Club and was so successful that the Committee had no hesitation in deciding to give it an extended try out in the annual tournament. In its favour it is said that it makes the games far closer than under any other arrangement.

The events are as under:—Mixed Doubles (Honey Cup, presented by G. P. Henry, Esq.). Mixed Doubles Handicap. Men's Doubles Handicap. Men's Singles Handicap. Ladies' Doubles Handicap.

The dates for the rounds are as follows: 1st round January 3 to January 5, 2nd round January 10 to January 12, 3rd and subsequent rounds January 17 to January 19. Matches can be played during midweek in the second and third rounds should players so desire. Entries have to be in by January 1.

Movanagher	145
Inca	140
Duke of Milan	160
Glory	159
Loch Elva	159

"D" Class

Papaya	162
The Plasmigan	168
Kum On	158
Kam Tong Hall	151
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Mountain Air	152
Desert Wind	155
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Fair Eyes	145
Sunloch	154
Funkin	158
The Jungle Book	146
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RUGBY PROSPECTS IN FAR EAST

Shanghai Want Return Visit From Hong Kong

JAPANESE MATCHES

Visit From English Rugby Union Likely

With the season now well under way, it is possible to form some idea of the potentialities of the playing strength of the Shanghai Club, and to obtain some idea of the future programme. As is remembered, Shanghai last season sent a side to Hong Kong and it is hoped to obtain a return visit from them at China New Year, says the "North China Daily News." An offer has been made to send a representative side to Japan at Christmas, but, as it is doubtful if fixtures can be arranged there, owing to the Japanese sides being fully booked up, the probability of sending a side to Hankow—from whom an invitation has been received—is under consideration. Tientsin are also anxious that Shanghai should visit them this season. A visit from the English Rugby Union tourists—who are due to visit Japan early in 1930—is being sought, and if it can be brought to book should prove a great attraction. There seems little likelihood of the Welch Regt. coming up from Singapore, which will be a disappointment to most of us.

A PROMISING PROGRAMME

During the season, representative games will be played with the U.S. Marines and, from what has already been seen of this combination, some sterling struggles should be witnessed. The Services will also be met, and, although the strength from the Navy shows no great promise at the moment, the Wiltsires and Worcesterers combined ought to put out quite a useful and representative side. Entries for the League competition include the Club and U.S. Marines—who finished level last season—together with the Armoured Car Co., the Shanghai Scottish, the Wiltsires and the Worcesterers. In all, a very promising programme of Rugger lies ahead.

Testing the Teams

The playing season to date has been spent in trying out the newcomers and possible combinations for a Shanghai first XV. The Worcesterers, Wiltsires and U.S. Marines have also got under way, and whilst the two former are not particularly strong at this stage, they are quite capable, from what they have shown, of coming along considerably. There is no doubting the playing strength of the Marines. In comparison with the opposition they have met so far, they have displayed, in speed and stamina, a more than adequate recompense for what they have lacked in skill and knowledge of the game. Their worst fault is still illegal bumping, charging and obstruction, which apparently is confused with hard play. They are too fine a set of fellows to allow such items to mar their play, and one would recommend a more careful study and application of Law 19, which reads:—

- No player running for the ball shall charge an opponent also running for the ball, except shoulder to shoulder. A player who is not running for the ball must not charge or obstruct an opponent not holding the ball.
- A player overtaking an opponent also running for the ball must not shove him from behind, unless he is stooping to pick up the ball.
- No player shall hold an opponent who is not carrying the ball.
- No player shall charge, shove, or hold an opponent at the lineout on the ball being thrown in from touch.
- A player not himself running for the ball must not wilfully charge or obstruct an opponent who has just kicked the ball.

A Shanghai Team

The choice of a Shanghai XV will cause some controversy, in spite of the fact that the selectors are a very competent body. One has only to ask the ideas of the players themselves to realise how widely divergent are the opinions as to the best men for the few places available. It seems certain that, of the original choice, few will hold their places except by a display of a consistently higher standard than the average, so many players of more or less equal ability being available. The writer, for instance, risks instant contradiction by suggesting that, at the moment, the

only obvious choices are Stephen-son, Kane, McGill, Hubbard, Brown, Wales and Dunkley—and the last because he is such a good ability man, with a defence second to none in the Club. Taylor will probably get an extended trial at full back. His tackling, catching and kicking are good, but he wants more daring and accuracy in his fielding, and, as the last line of defence, must remember that he cannot afford to dally with his clearances. A centre-three-quarter to partner Hubbard is required, and of those tried so far not one has been outstanding. Crawford, Guthrie and Wright show promise, but neither originally in attack nor stableness in defence.

Terrible is probably the best of the scrum halves tried, and the most promising of all the younger players. As he develops and fills out he will improve in efficiency, but one wonders whether he has yet the build to withstand the heavy knocks of the weighty sides to be met. The pluck is there all right, and his passes from the scrum are consistently good and well-directed. Wales, with his knowledge of the game, should teach him a little about the use of the blind side and the occasional cut through on his own.

Problem of the Forwards

The forward problem is a thorny one. It obviously must be so when one considers that, in the trial games played so far, the Probables pack has been not a jot better than that of the Possibles. Stephenson and Kane will have to find out who is doing the work in the scrums and who is not, for the scrummaging has been far from satisfactory. There are at least sixteen forwards at the moment who can all be good in the loose, but how many of them one wonders, put their weight into the scrummaging. Too often most of the forwards are pushing loosely on the outskirts of the scrum, without weight and seeking the opportunity of the ball becoming loose, instead of putting their shove into the scrum and "fetching" the ball for the backs to deal with. This state of affairs has been reflected in the loose, whereby forward rushes have not usually been combined efforts, with the back sweeping down the field in a body, but rather the isolated breaking away of one or two of the forwards.

The policy of knocking the ball back at the throw-in is good if done smartly, accurately and not overdone, but so much of it has been seen that it was really refreshing to see Stephenson take the ball cleanly and go through for a try; his opponents probably felt it was unkind of him not to have knocked it back as per custom. A fast forward can always be deputised to spoil this knocking back game played by the opponents and it offers boundless chances for a quick set of forwards. A sounder and safer method of getting the ball back to the three, is to catch it, put it down, scrummage and heel it quickly. This policy of "playing backwards" in a loose manner also takes the wind out of forward play: just watch the immediate out-of-position lassitude of the forwards when they have knocked back the ball from a throw-in. They are temporarily out

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of the game and at a disadvantage getting into it again.

League Practice

Next week-end will see the League sides in action in practice games. This will give the local players the opportunity of having at least one chance of playing together before the programme proper commences. Drawn by lot, the Scottish will play the Marines, the Club a side from H.M.S. "Suffolk," the Armoured Car Co. the Wiltsires, and a side chosen from the remainder will play the Public School. The immediate programme afterwards is representative games against the Services and the U.S. Marines.

RUGBY FIXTURES

Club 1st XV To Play Two Naval Teams

There will be no Rugger matches to-day and next Wednesday. Instead, the Club 1st XV will be playing on Saturday, 7th, against H.M.S. "Berwick," and on Saturday, 21st, against H.M.S. "Cornwall," while a further match will probably be arranged for Saturday, 14th.

It is hoped that all who have so enthusiastically supported the mid-week games this season will find time to get down on the Saturday mentioned. Club v. H.M.S. "Berwick" on Saturday, December 7, 2.30 p.m.—Back, O. Skinner; Threequarters, L. Goldman, M. D. Scott, G. A. L. Plummer, G. P. Lammert; Halfbacks, I. A. Ross, W. J. Clerk; Forwards, D. L. Milne Day, A. D. Suttill, R. P. Moodie, F. R. Burch, T. Riddell, E. R. West, W. E. Peers, B. P. Mansey.

Club 2nd XV v. H.M.S. "Cornwall" 2nd XV on Thursday, December 5, at 5 p.m.—Back, S. J. H. Fox; Threequarters, O. Skinner, C. E. Holmes, O'Neill, A. D. Copplin; Halfbacks, R. H. D. Wade, F. C. B. Black; Forwards, J. E. Henry, A. D. Suttill, Laidlaw, R. D. Beaumont, W. E. Peers, Burnell, B. L. Stock, E. F. Buttress.

ASSN. FOOTBALL

To-day's Interport Trial Match

Kick off 4.30 p.m., Hong Kong F.C. ground. Selected XI v. Chinese. The following have been selected to play against the Chinese:—G. Rodger; Wynne and Reeves; Hedley, West and Bliss; B. Gosano, A. Gosano, Goldman, Bewley-Bell and Butcher. Reserves—C. Pile, Dowman, Gill, Miles and Brown. Hong Kong League, Division II. Kick off 2.30 p.m. Somerset v. K.O.S.B., Kowloon F.C. ground. Referee, Mr. P. Kauko.

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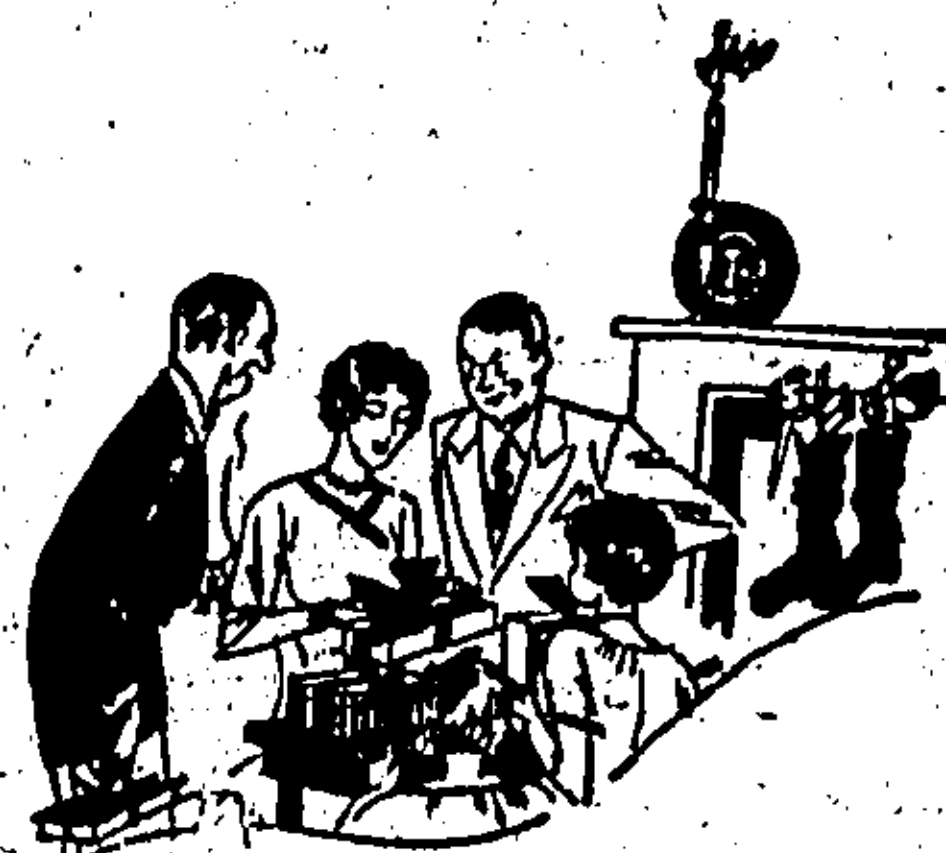
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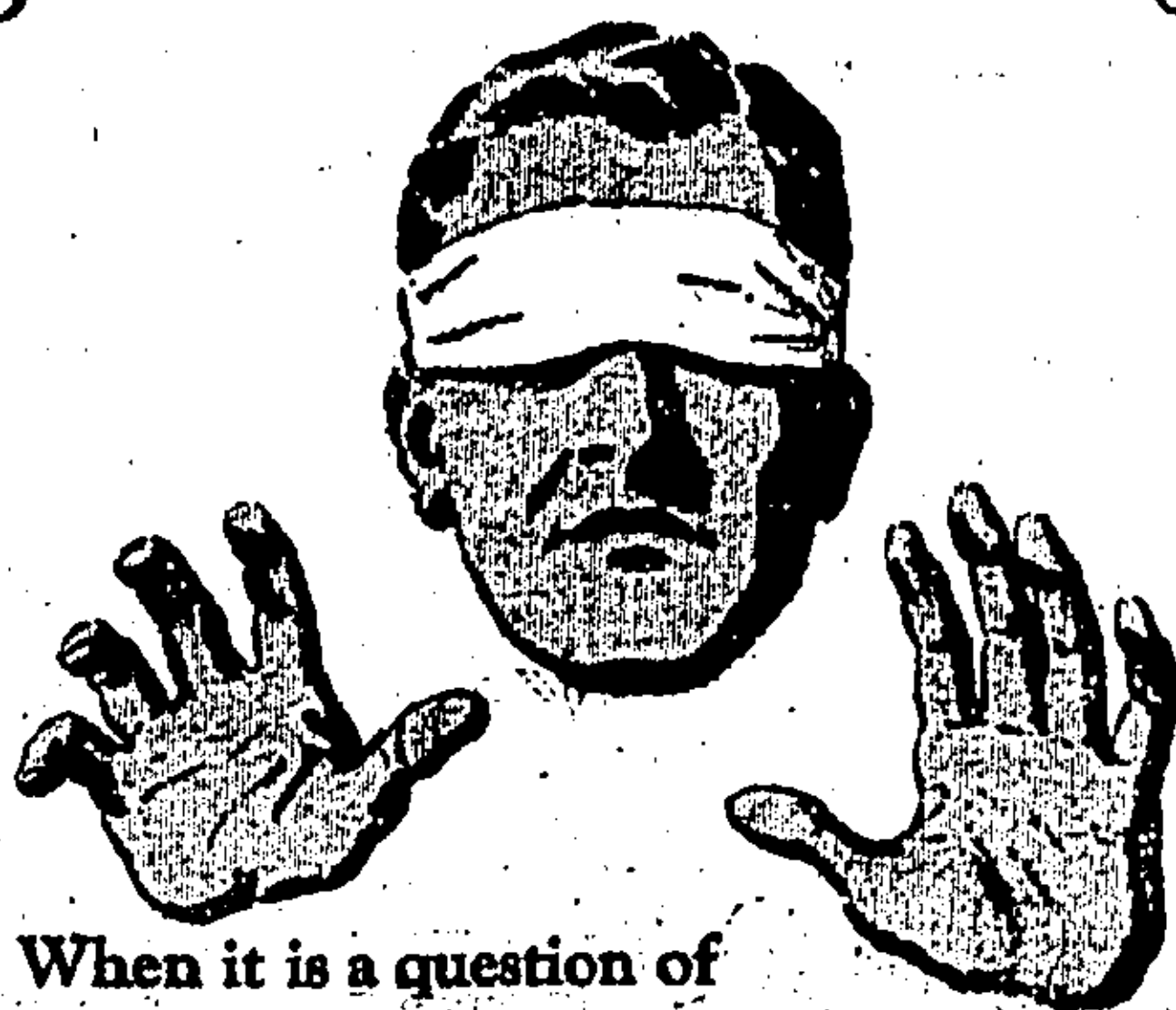
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A meeting of the English Association was held in the St. John's Cathedral Hall last evening, with His Excellency the Governor, President of the Association, in the chair. There was a large attendance.

After the business of the meeting had been dealt with, His Honour the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Gollan, Kt., K.C., C.B.E., gave an interesting address on Charlotte Bronte.

Often, he said, the study of the private life of an author is immaterial to the study of his work, but the life of Charlotte Bronte is of great importance for the understanding of that author's writings, and of the inferiority complex found in all her heroines, with the exception of Shirley, who is saved by her happier surroundings.

The others, of Charlotte Bronte's heroines; accept unhappiness and are pathetically grateful for the smallest alleviations, even for a man. If we did not know of Charlotte's life at a charity school, her difficult experiences as a governess, of the tragedy of her brother's wasted gifts, and of her own misfortunes, sorrow, and ill-health, we could not understand her work.

A brief sketch of Charlotte's life from her birth in 1816 was then given by Sir Henry who remarked that her family was one of very remarkable gifts.

A title Among Immortals The lecturer said that Charlotte may claim a title among the immortals, for she had genius, an almost indefinable but always recognizable quality. Of genius, the first characteristic is honesty, and she was always true to herself and never posed. Originality is a second characteristic, and by this we must understand not necessarily newness, but freshness of treatment.

By this test few surpass Charlotte Bronte in originality. Her books have all the same plot; a poor girl in an ordinary environment meets troubles and sorrow with courage and self-respect. Her characters, though, are living, moving, and real. There is an element of inevitability about their words and actions which are always natural. A veil has been lifted from the face of life itself.

She was a creator, not a mere constructor. Rochester, who is rather brutal, almost repellent, jars as if he were an acquaintance, and we wonder at Jane's infatuation—ill we remember some husbands we have met in the flesh. Clarity of mind and expression are a remarkable part of Charlotte Bronte's equipment, and form a contrast to the affected writing of, for example, George Meredith.

Deficient in Humour Charlotte was deficient in humour, but her methods, her temperament, and her circumstances were not conducive to humorous writing. Her characters may be called "daguerotypes" taken from life. Her method produced melodrama on a grand scale, and her passion and tendency to exaggerate prevented any resemblance to the novels of Jane Austen, whose kindly humour makes even Mr. Collins not utterly hateful—since the sensible Charlotte Lucas married him. In the hands of Charlotte Bronte he would have been an offence to everyone except to himself.

Contemporary critics objected to "coarseness" in the novels; others said too prominent a place was given to the passion of love. There may be some truth in the latter remark, but love is a topic of surpassing interest and deserves treatment by the highest genius. Charlotte Bronte writes of it as a virile force, which moulds and elevates character. Then Sir Henry discussed the causes of the sudden development of her genius, and suggested that perhaps she was fated opportunistically to be a great writer—she was a very rich, but limited, pocket. She used events and characters from her own range of experience, but was not so happy outside it.

Sir Henry suggested in conclusion that had it not been for her early death, there might have been a novel showing "the average husband as he is, and not as he thinks he is."

Discussion A discussion followed, in which Mr. Byrnes, S.J., Professor Simpson, Mr. Braine-Hartnell, and others took part, and Sir Henry replied to questions.

A motion was passed that future meetings of the Association should be with the Dean's consent, and be held in the Cathedral Hall.



The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on 350 metres:—

5.00-6.00 p.m.—Gramophone Records:—

"Symphonie Espagnole, for Violin and Orchestra" (Part 5: Rondo (first half) (Lalo; Op. 21) & Part 6: Rondo (completion) (Lalo; Op. 21)

Leo Strockoff & Orchestra. "The Pines of Rome" (part 1 & 2) (Respighi). The Milan Symphony Orchestra.

"Sea Rapture" (E. Hulme Bosman & Eric Coates), "Sweet Phyllis" (Lily Strickland), William Tell Overture (Rossini).

"The Five O'clock Girl" (Happy go lucky bird, Fox Trot) (Who did? You did, Slow Fox Trot) (Kalmár & Ruby).

"La Paloma" (The Dove) (Yradier), "La Golondrina" (Serradell), Paul Whiteman and His Orchestra.

"Round about a Wood" (Thos. Morley), "Sleep, Gentle Lady" (Planché & Bishop), The Salisbury Singers.

"Pleading (Morceau De Concert)" (Haydn Wood), "Devotion (Melodie Passionnee)" (A. W. Ketelbey), Organ Solo by Terence Casey.

"Obertass—Mazurka" (H. Wieniawski), "Moment Musical" (Schubert—Kreislere), "Violin Solo by Manuella." (Gluck—Kreislere).

"Rondino" (Beethoven—Kreislere), Violin Solo by Yelli D'Aranyi. "Dawn of To-morrow, Waltz" (Graville & Green), "Polly, Novelty Fox Trot" (Zamecnik).

Fred Rich and His Hotel Astor Orchestra. 6.00-7.00 p.m.—Chinese Records. 7.48 p.m.—Weather Report. 9.00-10.30 p.m.—Gramophone Records:—

"The Music Box Revue—Selection, Part 1 & 2" (Berlin), London Theatre Orchestra. "Otherwise She's Mother's Kind of Girl" (Gullers & Barker), "A Tale of Other Times—Monologue" (N. Long & L. Pounds).

Norman Long. "Romance" (Claude Debussy), "Les Cloches" (Cello Solo by Gaspard Cassado).

"Son of Mine" (from "Freebooter Songs") (W. Wallace), "The Rebel" (from "Freebooter Songs") (Kenneth Walters).

"Paul Jones—Selection, Part 1 & 2" (Planquette), London Symphony Orchestra. "Evening Song" (Schumann, Op. 83, No. 12 Willkies), "Après Un Rove" (Faure), Cello Solo by Gaspard Cassado.

"If you want the Rainbow, you must have the rain—Fox Trot" (Levan, Ross & Dixon), Ben Selvin & His Orchestra. "My beautiful Rose (Mia Bella Rosa), Fox Trot" (Koehler & Magine), The Benson All Star Orchestra.

"Etude in C Sharp Minor, Part 1 & 2" (Chopin, Op. 25, No. 7), Pianoforte Solo by Harriet Cohen. "A Pleading" (Tschalkowsky, arr. Tertis), "Three Sketches—No. 3 The River" (Lionel Tertis).

Violin Solo by Lionel Tertis. "Aida—Ritorno Vinctore, Part 1 & 2" (Verdi) (John O'Leary & Billy Grey), "Christening O'Sullivan's Child" (John O'Leary & Billy Grey), Talbot O'Farrell and Charles Penrose.

"She's Got 'It', Fox Trot" (Davis, Akat & Gilbert), "I Fell Head Over Heels in Love, Fox Trot" (Thayer & Parsons), Fred Rich and His Hotel Astor Orchestra.

"Orpheus with His Lute" (Shakespeare—Sullivan), "Danny Boy" (Weatherly—London-derry Air), Dora Labbette with Piano. "The Wedding of Maggie Malone" (O'Leary), "Fat Men Are Wonderful" (O'Leary).

Talbot O'Farrell with Orchestra. "Il Trovatore—Ah, Si Ben Mio" (Verdi), "Il Trovatore—Di Quella Pira" (Verdi), John O'Sullivan. 10.30 p.m.—Close Down.

RADIO IN CHINA

Nanking, Yesterday. In connection with the proposed telegraph loan of \$10,000,000, it is learned that \$3,000,000 will be used to construct radio stations, and \$4,000,000 for the settlement of obligations to the Great Northern and Great Eastern Companies in order that the special privileges granted to them may be terminated.—Reuter.

Ex-King Amanulla states that the chief condition of his return to Afghanistan is that there should be no departing from the programme of education set up by him.

A second motion, that members wishing to be members of the parent Association also should pay an annual subscription of \$2.50 or \$3, was also carried.

The date of the next meeting, January 7, was announced, when Professor Simpson will lecture on "The Difficulty of English."

MR. "KID" MARRIOTT ACQUITTED

MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE BREAKS DOWN

NO CASE FOR SESSIONS

The trial of Mr. Henry ("Kid") Marriott on a charge of manslaughter was resumed yesterday afternoon at the Kowloon Magistracy before Mr. W. Schofield.

Accused, who was represented by Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Messrs. Deacons, was alleged to have fired at an Indian watchman, employed by the Kowloon Docks on the afternoon of November 10, thus causing his subsequent death.

Mr. L. R. Andrews, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted. At the outset of the trial, Mr. Andrews mentioned that there was no eye-witness to the incident, and all the evidence that the prosecution could produce was that an Indian sergeant watchman had heard the shot fired and on looking round, saw accused dropped a revolver. The wounded man had also said in Hindustani: "Mr. Marriott had shot me."

Medical Evidence

Medical evidence given by the doctor in charge of the Kowloon Hospital to where the wounded Indian was at first removed, was to the effect that the wounded Indian had a perforated wound in his abdomen as well as a fractured forearm. There was no sign of internal haemorrhage, and he was therefore transferred to the Government Civil Hospital where there is special accommodation for Indians.

Dr. T. W. Ware, of the Government Civil Hospital, said that when the wounded man was admitted to hospital, he found that an immediate operation was necessary. This was carried out forthwith; general anaesthetic being applied. After exploring the site of the injury, witness found that the portion of the large bowel in contact with the abdominal wall showed a small perforation considerably smaller than that in the skin.

No Bullet Found

Continuing, witness said that he could find no bullet or any foreign body. The wounded man's condition then became worse, and everything possible was done. The man died the next day still under the influence of the anaesthetic.

A post mortem examination was held and witness found very little haemorrhage from the original injury. He was puzzled as to the cause of death. The general condition showed that death had been caused by uraemia following general anaesthetic.

Witness said that it was most difficult to discover the symptom before an operation; even a test of the urine would not have been decisive. Had it been known that such symptom existed, he would have preferred to administer local anaesthetic instead of general.

Fracture on Forearm

The deceased also had a jagged fracture on the forearm and the broken end of the ulna was splintered. The injury on the abdomen was nothing like that caused by a bullet. He was inclined to the belief that the injury on the abdomen was caused by the broken end of the broken ulna.

Further evidence was then taken from the Police Armourer who testified as to the condition of the revolver. It was a .38 and was in good working condition.

The Indian sergeant watchman in his evidence corroborated what Mr. Andrews had said in his opening statement. This closed the case for the prosecution.

Submission of Defence

Without calling upon the defence, Mr. Jenkin submitted that there was no evidence to justify the accused being committed to stand his trial at the higher tribunal. Whatever testimony had been given on behalf of the prosecution, they would have to confine themselves to that and not to speculate on evidence that might be forthcoming.

There were two essential points which had to be considered before a verdict of guilty could be secured against the defendant. It had to be proved that the death of the Indian was caused by the default of the accused, and it also had to be proved that the accused had acted with such reckless disregard that the act itself had amounted to a crime or felony. It was not a question of negligence or no negligence. It was a question whether felonious intent was present or not present. The act had to be motivated by force, cruelty, bitterness and animosity. The prosecution had already said that the relationship between the dead man and the accused was a most friendly one.

A Pure Accident

Furthermore, the defendant had said that it was a pure accident, and no evidence had been produced to show otherwise. It was also a mystery how the wound in the abdomen was caused. He did not think it was caused by gun fire. Dr. Ware had been anxious to

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speculate on the possibility that it could have been caused by the fractured forearm. It was also interesting to note that there was not a lot of evidence to show that the fractured forearm was caused by a bullet. It was up to the Crown to prove how the injury was caused, and until this was done, he must submit that there was no case to go before a jury. Magistrate Agrees. His Worship agreed, saying that he could not see anything to justify a committal. Mr. Andrews: Now you have said that your Worship, I quite agree. His Worship: It appears to me to have been a pure accident. Mr. Andrews: I think so. His Worship: Intimated that a peculiar point was the condition of the pistol which seemed as if the ejector had failed to work. The defendant was acquitted.

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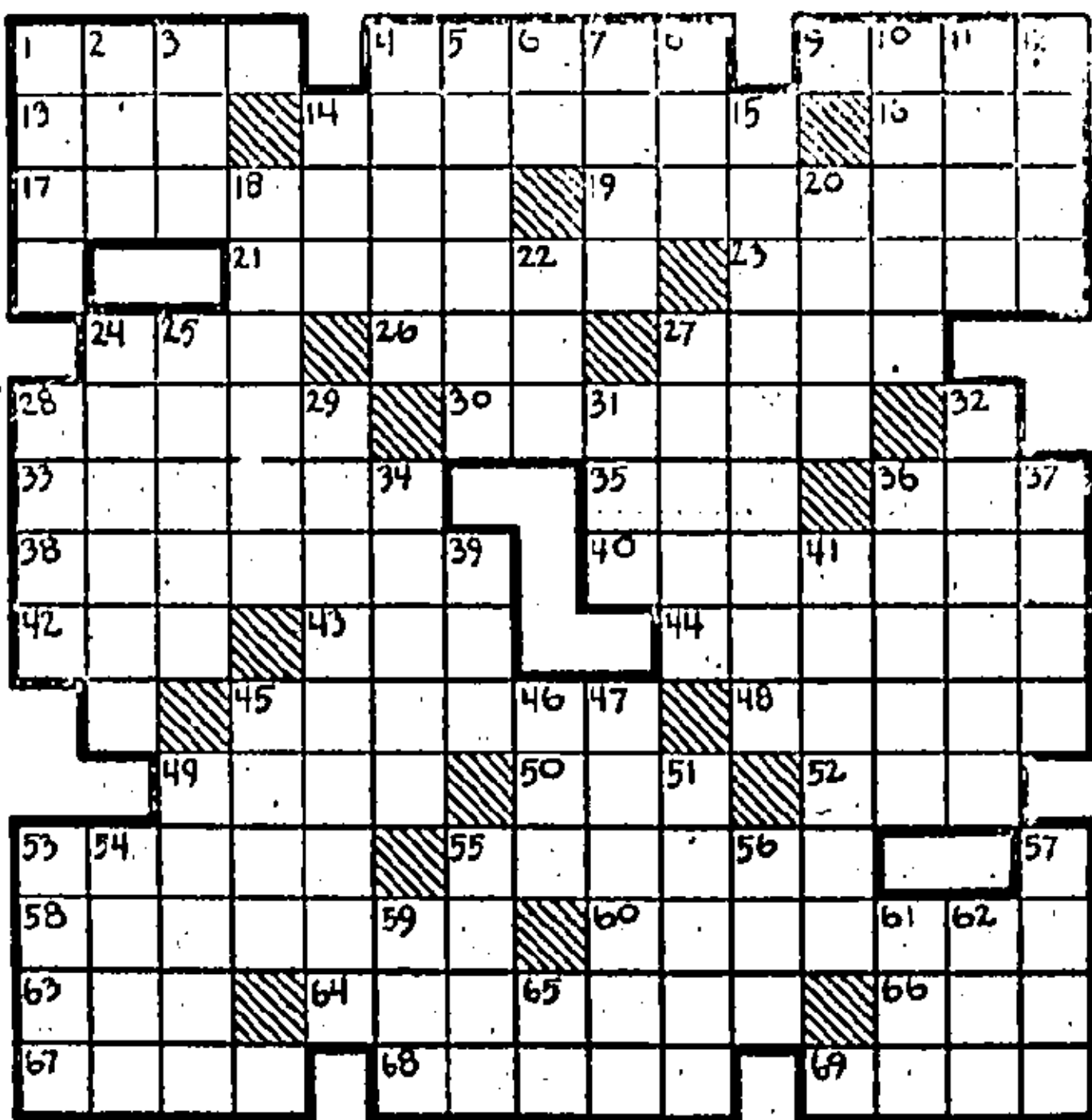
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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| HORIZONTAL | HORIZONTAL (Cont.) | VERTICAL (Cont.) |
| 1-Missing | 50-Day of the week (abbr.) | 18-Pilots |
| 2-Braid of hair | 52-Article | 20-Part of speech |
| 3-Side glass | 53-Interwove | 22-Born |
| 4-Arcle diving bird | 55-Yellow pigment | 24-Spanish city |
| 5-Crude resin melted and formed into thin plates | 58-Full to the uttermost | 25-Bitter drug |
| 6-Dress | 60-Repeat | 27-Biblical name |
| 7-A trapezoidal fore-and-aft sail | 63-Poem suddenly | 28-Footway |
| 8-Explaining | 64-Take away | 29-Exploded loudly and suddenly |
| 9-Hebrew law-giver and seer | 65-Fastener | 31-Label |
| 10-Feminine name | 66-Deaf | 32-A Zoroastrian |
| 11-Tool used for cutting screw threads | 67-Ward off judgment | 34-Slope |
| 12-Stain, as with soot | 68-Dazzle | 35-Ample sea room |
| 13-Drew war | 69-Ward off | 37-One who stains |
| 14-Hold back | 70-Strip of wood | 41-One who tastes by eating |
| 15-Offen worship | 71-Hang very high | 45-Indigo dye |
| 16-Part of verb "to be" | 74-Goal of a three-bagger | 46-Tree |
| 17-Evil | 75-Laid again | 47-Lasso |
| 18-Beam supported by four divergent legs | 76-The (Spanish) | 48-Yewns |
| 19-Single apparatus | 77-Narrow strip of wood | 51-Clumpy patch |
| 20-Fronton | 78-Perched | 54-Mother of Gaster, Pollux and Helena |
| 21-Propeller | 79-Grain for grinding | 55-Order containing the whales |
| 22-Funeral vehicle | 80-Grain for grinding | 56-Encountered |
| 23-Temper and render malleable | 81-Grain for grinding | 57-Go |
| 24-A compound unit | 82-Grain for grinding | 58-Boy's nickname |
| 25-Head | 83-Grain for grinding | 61-Male |
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| | 100-Grain for grinding | 78-Male |

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in tomorrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

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SCHEME FOR UNIFICATION OF ALL SERVICES

FAR-REACHING MEASURE

Rugby, Yesterday. Great interest has been aroused by the announcement made in the House of Commons by the Transport Minister, Mr. Morrison, that the Government is to draft a scheme for the unification of all London traffic services under public ownership. Details of proposals are keenly awaited, but they are not likely to be available for some time, as the subject is to be explored at once by the Transport Ministry, with all the interests concerned in London traffic services, including the municipalities.

Mr. Morrison, in his statement, said that the Government agreed with the conclusions reached by the Traffic Advisory Committee, that uneconomic and unnecessary competition should be eliminated, and that a far-reaching measure of unification under public control is essential to progress.

The Difficulties. The Government believed, he added, that the "ends in view could be fully achieved and public interest fully safeguarded only if the points in sectional financial interests were consolidated by a substitution of a single and simple form of public ownership for a complicated network of separate interests, private and municipal, which now add so greatly to the difficulties of the situation."

In some political quarters views are taken that the Government contemplates creating a public body on the lines of the Port of London Authority to co-ordinate and control various passenger services. In others it is assumed that the creation of a public body that would buy out the existing passenger tramway, omnibus, and tube railway services is intended. Comment in the Press and by traffic experts is reserved, pending further details.—British Wireless Service.

POLAR MIRACLES

Famous Explorer Criticised

New York, Yesterday. Commander Byrd's South Pole flight is described as "a speculation in sensations" by Major Gran (a member of the Scott's expedition of 1910), who writes to a Copenhagen newspaper. He says that "only money is now required to become a Polar explorer," and suggests that Byrd's report does not inspire confidence. It would be a miracle, he adds, if Scott's and Amundsen's claims, to which Byrd's report referred, are still visible from the air, while Byrd's "terrible mountains" are fantastic.

The "New York Times" replying to Major Gran's criticisms, says that none of its despatches mentioned Commander Byrd seeing traces of cairns or mountains mentioned before as being between degrees 86 and 87 South. Byrd speaks of this district as an "almost limitless plateau." Thus Major Gran is correct in assuming that there are no ranges south of 88 degrees.

Washington, Yesterday. The House of Representatives have passed a resolution directing the Speaker to telegraph on behalf of the House congratulating Commander Byrd on the South Pole flight.—Reuter's American Service.

AVIATION

Seville — Montevideo Flight Discussed

Madrid, Nov. 25. The French aviators, Larre Borges and M. Challe, visited Colonel Kindelan, chief of the Spanish military air force to-day and conferred with him about the projected flight from Seville to Montevideo. The date of the flight has not been decided upon.—Associated Press.

NEW NAVAL POST

London, Yesterday.—The Admiralty announces that Mr. A. W. John, Deputy-Director of Naval Construction, has been appointed Director of Naval Construction, in succession to Sir William Berry, on the retirement of that officer.—Reuter.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

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DODGING HIGH COST OF LIVING

LAW AGAINST BORDER "JUMPERS"

U.S. HIT AT ALIENS

Washington, Nov. 27. The department of labour, charged with enforcement of United States immigration laws, contemplates preventing aliens lawfully admitted to the United States from working here and living in other countries at the same time, it was announced to-day.

The department's action is aimed especially at the Canadian and Mexican borders. It is proposed to compel all Mexican and Canadian aliens to obtain passports at a cost of \$10 before they can enter the United States. Further, the Mexicans and Canadians will be forced to pay a head tax of \$8.00 each time they enter the United States. This would mean that the workers would have to pay \$8.00 a day for the privilege of working in the United States.

The plan of the department of labour was formulated following a survey which revealed that there are about 6,000 aliens working in Detroit but who live in Canada where living costs are considerably lower than in the United States.—United Press.

REGIMENT MUTINIES

Serious Looting At Pukow

Nanking, Yesterday. A regiment under the command of Shih-Yu-san, the Governor of Anhui, mutinied last night at Pukow, and commenced looting. Communication between Nanking and Pukow is interrupted, but Nanking remains calm. It is not believed that a serious situation will develop. The mutinous troops were under orders for Canton, to take part in the campaign against the "Iron-sides." Government troops are stationed on the Nanking side of the river to prevent any mutineers crossing over.

Later. It now appears that two regiments were involved in the mutiny at Pukow. Government troops are pursuing the mutineers, who have commandeered rolling stock and are going northward.—Reuter.

A TIGHT CORNER

Government Nearly Defeated

London, Yesterday. The House of Commons sitting was prolonged till early this morning, after the most exciting session the Government has yet known. The Majority in the closure division on the first clause of the Unemployment Insurance Bill fell to thirteen, with nine Labour members joining the Conservatives and anti-Government Opposition. Cheers greeted the figures of 209 to 196.

Mr. Wheatley followed up a revolt of the Left Wing party by bitterly attacking the Government for "political dishonesty."

Only the slackness of the Conservatives, of whom one hundred were absent saved the Government from defeat. Forty Liberals voted against the Government.—Reuter.

NOTED COMPOSER DIES

London, Nov. 27. Duvergne Henry Bernard, noted composer, died here to-day after a short illness.—United Press.



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SCIENTIST'S ASSERTION

Paris, Nov. 25. Gland-grafting operations, such as have been successfully performed on monkeys, rams and bulls, will eventually, enable man to attain a normal life of a century and a half, it is predicted in a press interview by Dr. Serge Voronoff, noted Russian scientist.

He declared that by means of glandular operations during infancy, children at the age of nine would be endowed with the force and vigour of the average person of twenty-five. Those living to be 150 years old or more would still be as youthful as at thirty.—United Press.

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A STUDENTS' "RAG."—The Reading University students held their annual "Rag" at Reading in aid of funds for the local hospitals. The affair was as hilarious as ever and provided much amusement for the onlookers.—(Sport and General).



A SENSATIONAL attack was made by Queen Marie on the Manu Government over the selection of a new member of the Regency.



A SIDE CAR on a Triumph Combination, possessing a useful "dickey" seat, is one of the striking new models at the fourteenth annual international motor cycle and cycle show at Olympia, London. Prices range from a 2.47 h.p. Excelsior at \$21—the cheapest model—to a Brough Superior at \$170—the Rolls Royce of Motor Cycles—which can do up to 100 miles per hour.—(Sport and General).



MR. FREDERICK PALMER, of Messrs. Rendel, Palmer and Tritton, of Westminster, who will supervise the Charing-cross Bridge scheme. The cost is £12,500,000, and Mr. Palmer's fees are £200,000.



THE EARL OF YPRES, son of the late Field Marshal French, with his wife, the Countess of Ypres, seen at the exhibition of the Earl's water colour pictures at the Anderson Galleries in New York. The collection on exhibition comprises sketches of more than a hundred of the most historic buildings in Britain. Directly beside the Earl is a sketch of Hampton Court.



A STUDY of one of the recently London-born lion cubs at the zoological gardens, Regent's Park.—(Sport and General).



A REAL PRODIGY.—Yehudi Menuhin, a little boy violinist, born in New York, made his debut in London, when he appeared as the soloist at the London symphony concert at Queen's Hall.—(Sport and General).



PRINCESS ROBESPIERRE, the charming little dancer, and singer, appearing at the Casino, Claude Riviere's Samoan Dancers at the



LEFT TO RIGHT—George Bernard Shaw, the Hon. Phyllis Astor, and her mother and father, Lady and Lord Astor, pictured at the Plymouth home of the lady M.P. "G.B.S." officially opened Astor Hall at Devonport recently.

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